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GRANGE NEWS

NEW CENTURY POMONA

New Century Pomona met Wednesday with Canton Grange with a large attendance. Twenty-seven candidates were instructed in the fifth degree. The speaker of the day was C. M. White of Augusta, who gave a good address on "Developing of the Co-operative Marketing." The program consisted of chorus singing; readings by Mrs. M. J. Childs and Wilma Hussey; recitations, Mrs. Elizabeth Kelley and Mrs. Rose Childs of Peru; vocal solos, John Arsenault of Mexico. A committee was appointed to draw up resolutions against the coal and railroad strike. An excellent dinner was served. The next meeting will be held at Buckfield.

CANTON GRANGE

There was a good attendance at Canton Grange, Saturday. Resolutions were passed against the coal miners or railroad strike. The program consisted of the following: Chorus music. Topic, "Advantages of Country Life." Opened by Rev. F. M. Lamb, followed by others. Question, "In what way can the Grange co-operate with the Canton Chamber of Commerce to make our village more attractive to our increasing number of summer guests?" Opened by the Worthy Master and discussed by others. Piano Solo, Bernice Hines. Poem, Mrs. A. H. Adams. Singing, Grange. Closing Thought, Arthur Marston. Several recitations from a representative from a Lyceum Bureau. The Livermore Grange will be entertained at the next meeting and will furnish the program.

LONE MOUNTAIN GRANGE

Lone Mountain Grange held a Charter Members' Day, Saturday, when the chairs were filled and program furnished by charter members. The officers were as follows: Master—J. F. Talbot. Overseer—W. W. Perkins. Lecturer—Mrs. J. L. Bailey. Steward—J. E. Gordon. Asst. Steward—C. E. Cushman. Chaplain—J. L. Bailey. Treasurer—E. M. Bailey. Secretary—W. W. Perkins. Gate Keeper—J. F. Caldwell. Ceres—Mrs. S. W. Richards. Pomona—Mrs. O. G. Damon. Flora—Mrs. J. F. Caldwell. L. A. Steward—Mrs. C. E. Cushman. After dinner the following program which was much enjoyed: Reading, Mrs. J. F. Caldwell. History, W. W. Perkins. Remarks, J. F. Talbot. Reading, Mrs. S. W. Richards. Reading, J. L. Bailey. Chip Basket, Grange. Letter from Bro. L. R. Hall, who is in North Carolina read by Mr. Perkins. Reading, S. W. Richards. Reading, Mrs. C. E. Cushman. Remarks, Frank Gordon. Remarks, E. M. Bailey. Remarks, Mrs. Caldwell. Remarks, W. W. Perkins. Remarks, C. E. Cushman. Song, Grange.

GOULD'S ACADEMY

Miss Ethel Capen of the Senior class, who has been quite ill, is improving. The students selected for public speaking this term will present their declamation on "A Girl's Influence." Special music was enjoyed. This week, instead of the regular meeting there will be a hike and picnic for the girls of the Y. W.

The Y. W. G. A. meeting of last week was led by Dorothy Goodnow, who used for her topic, "A Girl's Influence." Special music was enjoyed. This week, instead of the regular meeting there will be a hike and picnic for the girls of the Y. W.

NOTICE

The school properties at South Bethel and at West Bethel will be sold and turned over to purchasers as soon as possible after the end of the present school year. The superintending school committee has authorized the superintendent of schools to receive bids from prospective purchasers. Bids should be in by April 1. The committee reserves the right to reject any bids that are not satisfactory.

F. E. RUSSELL,
Sec. of S. S. Com., Bethel.

CORPORATION MEETING

The annual meeting of the Bethel Village Corporation was held at the Corporation Building, Monday evening. A small number of the voters were present and the business of the evening was passed through very quickly. It was voted to instruct the engineers to purchase an electric fire whistle and have it installed, and \$500 was raised for this purpose.

The following officers were elected: Moderator—F. B. Merrill. Clerk—F. E. Hanscom. 1st Assessor—E. M. Walker. 2nd Assessor—D. G. Brooks. 3rd Assessor—F. B. Hall. Treasurer—J. L. Carver. Auditor—E. C. Park. Engineers—G. B. Harlow, Roy Bennett, E. H. Smith. Member of Park Commission—H. C. Rowe. Collector—F. B. Hall. Rate paid Collector—1 1/2%.

Appropriations
Street Lights, \$1,250
Fire Department, 500
Hydrants, 938
Sinking Fund, 200
Miscellaneous Expenses, 500
Care of Parks, etc., 150
For Fire Whistle, 500

CHURCH ACTIVITIES

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
Rev. S. T. Achenbach, Pastor
Thursday, Mar. 16: Meeting of the Ladies' Club with Mrs. A. E. Herriell. Sunday, Mar. 19: 10:45: Worship. The pastor will begin a series of sermons on Jesus' Seven Words from the Cross. Solo. 12:00: Sunday School. 4:00: Junior C. E. meeting. Topic, "Doing Our Work as Christ Would Have Us Do." Leader, Garard Eames. 7:00: Christian Endeavor meeting. Topic, "What Our Country Owe to Home Missionaries." Leaders, Mrs. Achenbach and Edward Hanscom.

UNIVERSALIST CHURCH
Rev. J. H. Little, Pastor
Morning service at 10:45. Sunday School at 12. Evening service at 7. Subject next Sunday evening, "The Indignation and Forgiveness of Jesus." Read John 2, 13-17; Matt. 18, 21-22; and Luke 23, 33-34. What good lesson is there for you? Can you tell what that lesson is, next Sunday evening in the meeting.

Last Sunday the Y. P. C. U. reorganized; elected officers for the ensuing year, and instructed the Treasurer to forward to the State Union the dues from this Union. A committee was chosen to prepare for the initiation of new members next Sunday evening. The coming year promises to be one of the best years of the Union that it has experienced for a long time.

Mr. Little has been invited to give the Memorial Day address at Freeport.

REPUBLICAN CAUCUS

A caucus of the Republicans of Bethel will be held at Grange Hall, Bethel village, on Saturday afternoon, March 18, at two o'clock, for the purpose of electing a town committee, five delegates and five alternates to the second district convention at Bangor, on the same day; and for the purpose of transacting any other business that may properly come before said caucus. March 8, 1922.

H. H. HASTINGS, Chairman.
F. F. BEAN, Secretary.
Bethel Town Committee.

CARD OF THANKS

We most sincerely thank each and all who have assisted us in so many ways during the illness and death of our loved ones, the minister for his comforting words, and all those who gave the beautiful flowers.

Mr. and Mrs. James Spinney,
Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Judkins and family,

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Young and family,
Mr. Archie Young,
Miss Florence Young,
Mrs. Charles Poole,
Mr. and Mrs. Ben F. Lapham and family,

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Poole,
Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Poole and family,
Mr. and Mrs. Archibald Poole,
Mr. and Mrs. Jack Poole and family,
Mr. and Mrs. Joe Thomas and family,
Bethel, March, 1922.

NOTICE

There will be a pruning demonstration the 21st of March at 11 A. M. at A. F. Copeland's, given by County Farm Bureau Agent Lovejoy.

THE J. E. JONES LETTER

ENTER MISTER RADIO

The other night one of those gentlemen commonly known to the public as a "shark on electricity" was addressing a group of men—among whom was President Harding, and he admitted: "We know comparatively little about electricity but we are always using it for new purposes." After that he attempted to draw a concert and a lecture and a few other things out of the air, but the air was filled with storms and clouds and other heavenly static devils, in consequence of which the big radio show scheduled as part of the celebration for President Harding's first official birthday party did not materialize.

The outstanding fact about the radio demonstrations that are taking place everywhere is that there is no privacy to the process. A hundred thousand people can listen in on a musical program or concert, or speech, that is being broadcasted by radio, but if a single outsider drops in on the air with a little broadcasting of his own, it spoils the show. Radio broadcasting is conversation over a great wireless "party line" system, comparable in privacy with the life of a gold fish in his bowl, sporting in the sunlight by day and lit up by electric lights by night. It will be recalled that the Bell System transmitted speech by wireless telephone from Arlington, Virginia, to Paris and Honolulu, in 1915. This remains the long-distance record for wireless communication. Many forms of radio equipment for American forces for communicating with ships and with airplanes were arranged during the war. New possibilities for its use are very numerous. The linking of a ship's radio to land line phones seems to offer the outstanding possibility for the new science at this time. A few evenings ago the American Telephone and Telegraph Company gave a demonstration of radio in this connection, when a steamship 300 miles out at sea was placed in communication with telephone subscribers on shore, who carried on a conversation with members of the company on ship board. The Bell people say they have talked with a ship 1000 miles out at sea. The possibilities for practical development of radio telephoning are great, but it is pointed out that the supposedly most recent trick of electricity is, after all, an application of the same principle as that found in ordinary telephoning over the wire—the wire serving to direct and control the sound and deliver it at a certain point. So, while there is a lot of joy in being a "radio bug," it is just as well to be a little conservative about expecting any revolutionary changes in the arts of communication through the entry into the game of Mister Radio.

WHEN PICKETING PAYS
When Miss Alice Paul and her "crazy suffrage crowd" picketed the White House, they were jeered at, hooted, thrown into police patrol wagons, carted off to prison and treated with such gross indignities that they retaliated by starting another crusade for jail reform. Miss Paul still has her "crazy suffrage crowd," but their social standing has improved since the jail-bird days. Rich women have filled their coffers with gold, and they purchased and are occupying their somewhat palatial headquarters opposite the Capitol building at Washington. Nor has the half been told. On May 21, next, these headquarters will be the scene of an historical event when the "formal inauguration of the Woman's Party as a permanent organization" will take place. The police will likely be present in as great numbers as when they used to take the "crazy suffrage crowd" off to jail, but their duty in May will be entirely different from what it was four years ago, and it will be to preserve order and handle the crowds, because the President of the United States, Mrs. Harding, the wives of members of the Cabinet, and of the Senate and House will be there. These distinguished guests will be present to help celebrate the victories of suffrage and to honor the women who picketed, and were willing to be sent to jail for their convictions. For are they not the heroines of the suffrage movement?

THE UNHAPPY MR. FALL

Senator Fall of New Mexico was a great and boon friend of Senator Harding of Ohio, when the two men were members of America's greatest deliberative body a little more than a year ago. When Senator Harding went out of the Senate he took Senator Fall with him and put him in charge of a Department of the Administration. In that Department, and as Secretary of the Interior, Mr. Fall has been one of the most conspicuous of the President's official family.

CLEON S. OSGOOD

Prominent Rumford Man Passes Away Thursday Morning After a Short Illness

The whole town was saddened on Thursday morning last by the news of the death of Mr. Cleon S. Osgood who passed away about nine o'clock in the forenoon at his residence on Franklin street after a two weeks' illness following a shock with which he was stricken in the office of the Rumford and Mexico Water District on the afternoon of Feb. 23. Mr. Osgood was born July 22, 1859 at Hartford, Maine, the son of Chauncey Osgood and Martha J. Bisbee Osgood. He was married on Nov. 4, 1880 to Miss Minetta B. Bisbee of Sumner, and one daughter, Eva, now Mrs. B. Gould MacIntire, was born of this union. Mr. Osgood had been employed by the Portland and Rumford Falls Railroad, and later by the Maine Central Railroad for whom he has worked for many years, being Roadmaster of this division since July 30, 1892, and which position he occupied at the time of his death. He built his home on Franklin street in 1893, and has lived in town for the past 30 years. He has been a trustee of the Rumford and Mexico Water District since its organization in 1911. In 1888 he was elected to the Maine Legislature.

Mr. Osgood was a constant attendant of the Universalist church, was a member of Stratglass Commandery K. T., and a Shriner. He was a past commander of the local Commandery. Mr. Osgood was a prominent citizen of the town, and a man for whom the highest respect was held by everyone, and he will be much missed. The funeral was held on Saturday forenoon at 11 o'clock at the Universalist church in charge of Stratglass Commandery, and the body was taken to East Sumner for burial, a special train being furnished for the purpose. Besides the widow and daughter, there survive two young grandsons, Gould and Bradford MacIntire, sons of Mr. and Mrs. K. Gould MacIntire.

SCHOOL NOTES

The Spring term of school in the towns of the Bethel District will begin as follows: Schools in Gilead and Mason will begin March 20. Schools in Greenwood will begin March 27.

Schools at West Bethel, April 10. School at South Bethel will start up after present interruption and continue without further vacation until the end of the school year.

The following students in the brick schoolhouse received 100 per cent in spelling:

GRADES I and II

Eldon Adams, Phyllis Bartlett, Elsie Bartlett, Elsie Butterfield, Paul Chapman, Walter Jenkins, Frances King, Catherine Lyon, Lucia Van, Evelyn Whitman, Martha Brown, Hugh Brown, Walden Chesley.

GRADE III

Wilbert Bartlett, Laurence Bartlett, Harriet Coy, Robert Littlehale.

GRADE IV

Leona Brown, Theodore Eames, Donald Fraser, Arthur Barker, Charles Chaplin, Betty Brown, George Parsons, Edward Poole.

GRADE V

Clyde Stillings, Elmira Wheeler, Evelyn Wheeler.

GRADE VI

Madelyn Coy, Mildred Heath, Dorothy Stearns.

GRADE VII

Madeline Brinck, Ronald Keddy, Samuel Clough.

GRADE VIII

Elizabeth Mason, Jordy Luxton, Garard Eames.

NOTICE

I wish to announce that I shall be a candidate for Postmaster, when the proper time arrives, and will appreciate any assistance my friends and patrons of Bethel Post Office may give me.

J. S. HUTHOLINS.

NOTICE

Maquerade ball at Grange Hall, Bethel, Mar. 17, 8 P. M. All wear costumes, please. Good music and prizes. Refreshments at intermission.

The Children's Hospital at Portland, Maine, offers to young women of high school education or its equivalent a two and one-half years course of training which includes three months in district nursing and six months at New Haven Hospital, New Haven, Conn. Address: Children's Hospital, 88 High St., Portland, Me.

BETHEL AND VICINITY

Rev. J. H. Little was in South Paris, Thursday.

Mr. Herbert Barrymont was in Bryant's Pond, Tuesday.

Mr. Burnham of Auburn was in town Tuesday, buying milk cows.

Mr. Roland Garland of Berlin, N. H., has employment at Maple Inn.

Mr. Whitney of Portland was a business visitor in town, Monday.

Mr. Ralph Young left Thursday for the Dead Diamond to spend a week.

Mrs. E. S. Kilborn of Portland is the guest of her sister, Mrs. E. C. Park.

Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Peaslee of Upton spent a few days at Maple Inn this week.

Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Brooks were at their home in North Newry one day last week.

Messrs. Frank Mayo and Arthur Dudley spent a few days in Portland last week.

Mrs. Fred Douglass and Mrs. Harry Hutchinson were at Mechanic Falls, recently.

Mr. E. C. Vandenbergheven has been confined to the house the past week by illness.

Mr. Carl L. Brown is detained at his home on account of sickness in the family.

Mr. Frank Hamlin of Berlin, N. H., is the guest of his sister, Miss Annie Hamlin.

Mr. A. J. Lyman of Needham, Mass., was a business visitor in town over the week end.

Mrs. W. W. Kilgore of North Newry was the guest of friends in town a few days last week.

Miss Vivian Wight was the guest of her aunt, Mrs. Carl Wight, at Gorham, N. H., Saturday.

Mr. L. L. Howe of Lynn, Mass., was the guest of his nephew, Mr. Chester Howe, the first of the week.

Mr. Asa Sessions has purchased the A. J. Tibbets house on Main street occupied by S. S. Greenleaf.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Williamson have moved into the upstairs rent in the L. A. Hall house on Broad street.

Mrs. Frank Burgess and baby of Auburn were week end guests of her sister, Mrs. Ralph Moore, and family.

Mrs. Harry Sawin returned from Lowell, Mass., last week, where she has been caring for her sister, who has been ill.

Mrs. Wade Thurston, Mrs. F. J. Tyler and Mrs. Harry Brown entertained a party of friends at Mrs. Brown's home on Thursday evening. Five tables of whist were enjoyed, and a very pleasant evening was passed. Refreshments were served during the evening.

Two Bethel students have won marked scholastic honors at Bates College, according to an announcement made Monday by Clifford Dagget Gray, president. Among the announcements of scholarship awards made as a result of the grade-casting of the first semester are the following: Kathryn Hanscom awarded the Ricker scholarship, Lawrence Kimball received the Bean scholarship.

Mr. Percy Robertson, who has been in the U. S. Naval Hospital at Brooklyn, N. Y., for the past two and a half years, arrived in Bethel last week and stayed a few days with his brother, E. O. Robertson, and family. Saturday morning he went to Portland, accompanied by his father, E. N. Robertson, where he expects to enter the Marine Hospital. His many friends were glad to greet him again.

The Academy Glee Club concert on Thursday evening will include, besides the selections given by the Club, a reading by Mr. Hanscom; cornet solo with violin obligato by Miss Cottrell and Miss Humphrey; and violincello solo by Mr. Thomas Crosby of Bethel. The large, spacious gymnasium gives opportunity for all to see and hear to advantage. The object of the concert is to provide funds to pay for music. Any excess above the needs of the Club will be turned over to the athletic fund of the Academy. Tickets, 35 cents each, including war tax, may be had at Hosselman's. The hour is 7:45.

PARENT-TEACHER MEETING

A very interesting meeting was held Monday evening with the following program:

Recitation, The Children's Hour, Betty Brown

Song, Babbie's Boat, Gilbert Brown, Charles Chaplin, Donald Fraser, Edward Poole, Warren Blake, Betty Brown, Mildred Bartlett, Gladys Wheaton, Leona Brown

Original Composition, The Uses of Water, Leona Brown

Victrola, Love Me or Not, Enrico Caruso

Recitation, The Little Plant, Laurence Bartlett

Song, By Le, Mary Thurston, Betty Brown, Harriet Coy, Leona Brown, Gladys Wheaton

Victrola, Ava Maria, Emmy Destinn

Original Composition, A Winter Hike, Betty Brown

Piano Solo, Hide and Seek, Theodore Eames

A Paper, Topic, Organized Play on the Playground, Mrs. R. B. Tibbets

Open Discussion, Topic, What is the matter with our schools? Opening remarks by Supt. F. E. Russell

After the program an animated round table by all was enjoyed.

Mrs. L. H. Gilley is visiting in Boston.

Mrs. Edie Hall returned to Portland, Monday.

Mrs. Clyde Emery is in Portland for a few weeks.

Mr. O. B. George is attending the auto show in Boston.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lyon were Sunday guests at the Haggood farm.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Upton are attending the auto show in Boston.

Miss Laura Hutchinson spent the first of the week at home at West Bethel.

Mr. C. F. Upton was a guest at Mr. Frank Emery's in Albany, Sunday.

Miss Libbie Goodridge and aunt, Mrs. Thomas Vashaw, were in Norway, Friday.

Mr. F. J. Tibbets of East Poland was a business visitor in town, Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. N. Robertson of Gorham, N. H., were in town a few days last week.

The Crochet Club enjoyed a very pleasant afternoon with Mrs. D. C. Conroy, Thursday.

Dr. W. B. Twaddle, who has been spending a week in Lewiston, has returned home.

Mr. A. H. Gibbs is spending a few days in Rumford at the Willard Storage Battery Service Station.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Morgan are being congratulated upon the birth of a daughter, born March 12.

Mrs. Harry Lyon and two daughters of Grover Hill were Sunday guests of Mrs. Ula Parsons at the Haggood farm.

Miss Alice Brown is spending a two weeks' vacation from her school at Yarmouth with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Brown.

Mr. William Vandenbergheven was called home from Boston last Friday by the illness of his father, Mr. E. G. Vandenbergheven.

The Universalist Sunday School held a social at the Grange Hall, Saturday afternoon, Mar. 11, and a very pleasant time was enjoyed by all.

Rev. J. H. Little has accepted the invitation of George W. Randall Post, No. 98, G. A. R., at Freeport, Maine, to deliver the Memorial Day address, Tuesday, May 30.

In last week's issue of the Citizen in the item pertaining to the concert of the Academy Glee Club it was stated that the admission was 25 cents. This was an error and should have been 35 cents.

Eight little folks gathered at the home of Mrs. Ralph Young, Saturday, March 11, in honor of the fourth birthday of Master Richard Young. Games were enjoyed. Ice cream and cake were served.

The Pythian Sisters will hold a food sale at I. O. O. F. Hall, Friday afternoon, Mar. 17, from 3 to 5 o'clock. They will have on sale home made bread, whipped cream pies, cake, doughnuts and candies.

THE FOLLOWING ARE A FEW OF THE COMPANIES
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Stuart W. Goodwin
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THE CONTINENTAL INSURANCE COMPANY	MASSACHUSETTS FIRE & MARINE INSURANCE CO.
80 Maiden Lane, New York	93 Water St., Boston, Mass.
Assets Dec. 31, 1921	Assets Dec. 31, 1921
Real Estate, \$153,405.86	Stocks and Bonds, \$1,190,824.23
Mortgage Loans, 1,207,292.48	Cash in Office and Bank, 62,283.92
Stocks and Bonds, (Actual Market Value, Dec. 31, 1921), 35,081,834.50	Agents' Balances, 31,500.26
Cash in Office and Bank, 4,439,728.52	Interest and Rents, 8,617.00
Agents' Balances, 2,118,530.89	All other Assets, 6,623.81
Bills Receivable, 408,138.97	Gross Assets, \$1,289,849.32
Interest and Rents, 233,129.70	Deduct Items not admitted, 43,608.81
Gross Assets, \$43,042,430.92	Admitted Assets, \$1,246,180.51
Deduct Items not admitted, 252,509.09	Liabilities Dec. 31, 1921
Admitted Assets, \$43,389,801.83	Net Unpaid Losses, \$102,033.78
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1921	Unearned Premiums, 117,222.89
Net Unpaid Losses, \$2,222,718.39	All other Liabilities, 45,973.82
Unearned Premiums, 17,364,726.03	Cash Capital, 500,000.00
All other Liabilities, 7,653,117.50	Surplus over all Liabilities, 420,950.67
Cash Capital, 10,000,000.00	Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$1,246,180.51
Surplus over all Liabilities, 12,139,299.11	
Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$43,389,801.83	
STUART W. GOODWIN, Agent, 3-16-31—G	STUART W. GOODWIN, Agent, 3-16-31—G

IRA C. JORDAN
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BETHEL, MAINE

Our Stock Reduction
SALE

is till going on and we have a splendid assortment of bargains to choose from yet. We will mention only a few of them:

100 pairs Women's Brown Calf and Vici Kid, high cut boots, military heel, medium toe, Goodyear Welt, Evangeline. All sizes, G and D width, they were \$7.50 and a good trade at that; price now \$4.95

60 pairs Women's Black Vici Kid, high cut boots, military heel, medium toe, Goodyear Welt, Evangeline. All sizes, A, B, C and D width, one of our best \$7.50 boots, now \$4.95

A lot of Women's Rubbers, the \$1.00 grade, for high heel boots, price 25c.

40 pairs Men's Brown Calf Boots, narrow toe, these were at one time sold for \$13.00, our price now \$3.95

A large lot Men's medium weight work shoes, very soft and comfortable, were \$7.50, now \$3.95.

These are only a few of our store full of bargains. You have a cordial invitation to call and look them over at any time.

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We wish to make announcement in regard to change of PRICES in Edison Diamond Disc Phonographs and Re-Creations.

MODEL	OLD PRICE	NEW PRICE
Chalet	\$95.00	\$ 95.00
Heppelwhite	167.50	145.00
Sheraton	200.00	200.00
Jacobean	265.00	245.00
Chippendale	295.00	295.00

Edison Diamond Disc Re-Creations are reduced as follows:

	OLD PRICE	NEW PRICE
	\$1.35	\$1.00
	1.85	1.50
	2.25	2.00

There are no changes in other models of Edison Phonographs and these prices became effective March 1, 1922.

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SOUTH PARIS, MAINE

SERMON

The sermon which follows was preached by Rev. S. T. Achenbach at the Congregational Church, Sunday, Feb. 26. It is printed by request.

John 9:4

"We must work the works of Him that sent me, while it is day: the night cometh, when no man can work."

THE NECESSITY OF THE PRESENT TASK

Into the view of Jesus comes one day a man who for the forty or more years of his life has never had the joy of eyesight. This man becomes at once an object of religious speculation among Jesus' disciples. Someone, the blind man himself or his parents, by sinning brought the curse upon him. The disciples ask Jesus who was guilty. As ever, the Master pushes away from Him thoughts of a matter of lesser moment and gives attention to the one which is of chief concern. In the blindness of this unfortunate is a prime chance for the Father's heart of love to show itself. Here is an opportunity for the Fatherly God to do a work which will make clear what kind of person He is, what He wants the suffering and the shamed to become. The spirit of Jesus' reply is that religion is more vital when it is practical than when it is speculative. What is pressing is that this man's limitation be removed and that he become a man fulfilling his purposes. What is imperative further is that people on the streets of Jerusalem shall witness the power of God in the cure of long-standing total blindness. Light is come into the world. Let the people see it.

In the mind of Jesus, making the blind man see is urgent business. That kind of work needs to be done by Him and His helpers at once. Why is Jesus so sensitive to the pull of His present task? His time to do His earthly work is short. Had He not just a little ago said something extremely offensive to the Jews—"Before Abraham was born, I am"? And had not those men taken up stones to throw at Him? He has escaped from their murderous design, but only for a short time. Before long He must become the victim of their hot rage. So His day is old and will soon close up the season of His labors. Probably it is late in some afternoon when He cures the blind man. If so, He uses a symbol of force in the words, "while it is day: the night cometh, when no man can work."

Have you ever worked out why Jesus here said "must"? Why is the necessity for quick action laid upon Him? Here we have it: "When I am in the world, I am the light of the world." The fact of who He is presses Him to His task. He can not resist giving light when He is light. So long as His light-giving life lasts, so long He must give light. Our sun does not shine optionally; it shines because its nature compels it to shine. The essential Self of Jesus is not given a choice to give or withhold itself as a light-giving power. As long as that self has opportunity to operate, it is bound to operate.

Jesus' task, so insistent in its claim upon Him, is the inheritance of His disciples. "Ye are the light of the world"—that is the word containing a precious bequest. The blindness enshrouding so much of the world is old. It is urgent that we open blind eyes. But let us not forget the base upon which we stand in our task. If we are the light of the world we must work the works of God amid the darkness of the world. The real, wholehearted, Christ-lighted disciple does not and can not take counsel with himself whether or not to give light; he must do so. If he can choose not to give light, then the sun can choose not to give light.

Turn this truth over. When the disciple is not shedding radiance, is not enlightening men, he has ceased to be light. Of course, the Christian's influence may be limited by enemies, some times even to the point of destruction; by his most earnest efforts, efforts inspired by a heart of burning zeal, may be made fruitless by untoward outward circumstances; yes, he may even live a personal life, a life of indifference and negligence over his lighted lamp. But it remains true that though there are these clouds that shut off from darkened souls those refined qualities in godly men which would cause good sight, these clouds are fleeting and affect light but temporarily. In truth, clouds are proof of the power of light. Clouds removed raise the brilliance of light. And when clouds flee, as they do ever and anon, from the sky of life, and men's lot is darkness still, then the disciple or the group of disciples of the Lord has ceased being light. The large truth here is that if our modern order is one of darkness, the church of our Lord Jesus Christ is not its torch filled with oil and ablaze and held steadily on high.

Now what is the present urgency? Where does necessity press chiefly? You will say to yourself, How commonplace when I lay out to you the crying field wherein he who works the works of God in this late day is to labor. I remark that that our generation must have its eyes opened to its deplorable

Taste is a matter of tobacco quality

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of Turkish and Domestic tobaccos—blended

"They Satisfy"

ing manners. By manners I mean more than "Please" and "Thank you," more than correctness of deportment in entering or leaving the drawing-room, more than proper street bowing and passing of greetings, more than properly using a soup spoon. By manners I mean all these but also sincere civility treatment by man of man, square dealing, clean and honest business, the Golden Rule practically applied in social and business conduct, common decency. Look abroad now and see how well-nigh boorish we are in some respects. Step into a clothing store for a suit and the honest clothier will be obliged to tell you that most of the goods put into clothing is of inferior grade and yet costs more than it is worth. You hardly hold a morsel of food to your mouth but some one somewhere along the line of its journey to your house has profited on its sale. Let an employer hire labor and, no matter how high the wages, the time of labor is reduced to the second by exact rules, and the quality and quantity of output is of no concern to the employee. Coupled with the growing brazen effrontery of labor in many quarters is the no less sinful, tyrannous of the employer in many quarters. The necessities of our physical life—food, raiment, shelter, fuel—are the golden trails by which fortune-pursers climb the mountains of their millions, while the shameless insolence of labor here and there verily adds them in their climb. Yes, in the world of business there is to be found an unmanly lot, far too big. Lord preserve for us the remnant of the decent!

Is our civic conduct nice? How manners are forgotten here. Men of good sense otherwise in this department of common life push and scramble for place, honor, office emolument as street urchins do for pennies thrown before them. Candidates berate each other. Personal friendships are easily flung into the mud of political dispute. Parties hate each other, know no good of each other, neither will they learn any. Incompetent men, often even bad men are kept in office by the numbers or some other form of power of a party. Good and true and efficient men are abused, ousted, scrapped for no reason save that they do not carry the tag of the party that did not give them office. Law and order often go by the board because of the clash of political feeling. Time forbids citing other indications that our civic manners betimes are rude.

Are we not socially rather raw? What do you witness at the most popular pleasure get-togethers of the day, the "movie" and the dance? The "picture" on the screen hardly ever fails to exhibit scenes of either highly questionable morality or downright immorality. Scandal is a dramatic production decent throughout. What actors act out on the public screen before the eyes of a community's young people and children could not be thought of as acted out by these "artists" in the homes represented at the theatre. If the indecencies of the screen were enacted by men and women of our town in front of our business places upstairs before the townspeople, the vilest hoodlums of town would join in rotten-egging the actors off the streets. But, in smaller towns particularly, the movie is treated as one of the business of the place and movie men are so well known and know everybody so well. Business and social relations readily pair up with a small town's lack of cohesion against any demand for cleanliness which may be made. So "waiting just the steps" while this powerful force of an amazing invention, with its unimagined aspect

ty for good, be it said, goes on its barbarous way.

The modern dance is an occasion for stirring the race to coarseness. That statement is not to be construed as an indiscriminate condemnation of the dance. There are clean dances conducted by clean people. I would not be fair in thinking ill of my dancing friends. They are as good as I am. But I say without reservation that the "modern dance" as an institution is a moral menace. I need not try to prove what I say, for the right-thinking public believes this. The nature of very many dances in vogue powerfully stimulates immorality. And the utter abandon of multitudes of women to gross wantonness in dress coupled with their participation in shameless, coarse dances shows how far these women have departed from the standards of good breeding and good sense. I may hint that as goes woman in matters of good breeding, so goes society.

What about our church manners? Even on the church of Christ, where manners should be of the most gracious order, is far from innocent of bluntness, cold reserve, apathy to a brother's feelings, hedging from obligation. How many church people ever think that being at church services is meeting one of the social obligations of a Christian and that deliberate or habitual absence is a serious breach of the Christian courtesy? How many ever think of Christian service and the sympathetic, cooperative life of Christians as social obligations which it is rude to set by?

Enough of all this. Why is it so? Its cause is a demoralized inner life. Manners grow from morals. We must not blame alone unmanly institutions, habits, practices, indulgences, apathies, negligence. We would blame our present order for not being essentially moral. Can a community be essentially moral or can a community be creditable with an active morality if a Sunday horse race is possible within its borders? If a community's life rests upon a bad moral principle, then within its borders a Sunday horse race is unthinkable. Genuine goodness, character, brings the summum bonum. Now the present order will not, as no order before us ever did, achieve character without religion. What gave us character individually, socially, nationally? He is a fool who can not say, Religion.

Our fathers left us the spirit of a stern religion with hard-headed principles that allowed no moral compromise. We deprecate, rightly, some of the accompaniments of the religion of our fathers; but it did great business. It put iron into their blood. In its music the Jesus fell on "Thou shalt not," and men asked with concern, "Shall I?" before venturing upon the recurring uncertainties of their life. We thus need our moral muscles hardened by wrestling with the eternal prohibitions of God. We have not gotten far along that way. We are no consideration. For ever some things will be wrong. Idolatry, in its many forms, is wrong. Profanity is wrong. Misuse or abuse of the Sabbath is wrong. Dishonoring parents is wrong. Murder, adultery, theft, lying, falsehood, covetousness are wrong. Physical habits degrading to flesh, mind and moral sense are wrong. Hatred, ill-will, uncharitableness, unneighborliness, neglect of Christ's kingdom interests are wrong. They who are tempted towards these wrongs need their eyes opened. They who prepare their fellows for the easy doing of wrong need to see their own wrong. They who doubt their privileges as followers of Jesus to make this a world wherein right-doing

becomes easier need to be made to see their wrong.

But it is necessary that our fellows see the positive power of the Lord in our present life. Jesus Christ is at work now developing a brighter and fairer world here and a glorious world beyond. "We must work" with Him as He seeks to establish the high principles of His kingdom. How shall we meet the "must" of that cooperation? We must make men see. And how? We must "be" light. We will surely square ourselves with that urgent piece of work if we determine with Christ to be the light of the world as He is the light of the world.

In your own peculiar way, at the task your Lord assigns you, work the works while it is day. Give that self of yours all the play it seeks in being light upon the dark road your fellows travel. Also in this great necessity, the necessity of the task of our own late day, rejoice. In the obligation, the mighty compulsion of present work, find the gladness that therein is.

PORTER

Mr. Irving Cram has returned to Hiram after completing his logging job here.

Ben Goodwin of Hiram was in town for over the week end as a guest of his mother, Mrs. Alice Goodwin.

Mrs. Evelyn Sawyer and daughter, Agnes, were callers Thursday at Everett Wentworth's.

Jennie Cross and Ida Sawyer were in the place calling on friends Thursday afternoon.

Herbert Frost and family moved to Silver Lake, N. Y., this week. Mr. Johnson of B. Freedom moved there.

Snow is beginning to go now it has become warmer.

Mrs. Harry True Worthy and baby called on Mrs. Harry Rice, Saturday.

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UNITED STATES FIDELITY GUARANTY CO. OF BALTIMORE, MD.

Assets Dec. 31, 1921	
Real Estate, \$2,274,128.60	
Mortgage Loans, 47,500.00	
Collateral Loans, 45,501.40	
Stocks and Bonds, 21,595,934.08	
Cash in Office and Bank, 2,847,232.32	
Agents' Balances, 7,444,537.87	
Interest and Rents, 270,635.44	
All other Assets, 1,045,897.52	
Gross Assets, \$35,588,487.17	
Deduct Items not admitted, 2,011,036.95	
Admitted Assets, \$33,577,450.22	
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1921	
Net Unpaid Losses, \$9,958,926.02	
Unearned Premiums, 11,114,988.07	
All other Liabilities, 2,764,446.49	
Cash Capital, 4,500,000.00	
Surplus over all Liabilities, 5,239,141.64	
Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$33,577,450.22	
Oxford Ins. Agency, Agents, Rumford, Maine.	

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LUMBERMEN'S MUTUAL CASUALTY COMPANY, CHICAGO, ILL.

Assets Dec. 31, 1921	
Mortgage Loans, \$50,104.00	
Stocks and Bonds, 1,105,270.00	
Cash in Office and Bank, 91,581.38	
Agents' Balances, 325,519.40	
Interest and Rents, 15,466.43	
All other Assets, 1,085.00	
Gross Assets, \$1,586,048.21	
Deduct Items not admitted, 10,147.18	
Admitted Assets, \$1,575,901.03	
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1921	
Net Unpaid Losses, \$508,505.74	
Unearned Premiums, 639,270.14	
All other Liabilities, 71,446.52	
Surplus over all Liabilities, 856,989.63	
Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$1,575,901.03	
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CANTON

Rev. F. M. Lamb officiated at the funeral of Mrs. A. F. Warren of Buckfield last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Swasey Wadlin and little daughter, Virginia, of Lewiston were over Sunday guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. L. Wadlin.

Frederic H. Bate will occupy the pulpit of the Universalist church next Sabbath.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Adams and family were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Merle Adams of Hartford.

Mrs. Charles H. Towle and son, John, of Dixfield were week end guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Lucas.

Mrs. C. F. Oldham and Mrs. O. M. Richardson are among the sick ones.

A daughter arrived in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Francis Drake, Friday.

Miss Abbie C. Bicknell is visiting her cousin, Mrs. Edwin Thompson, of Auburn.

Alfred Gammon of Auburn has been a guest of Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Packard.

A. J. Foster attended a meeting of the East Oxford Testing Association, held at Buckfield, Thursday.

Mrs. J. R. Austin and Miss Emma Keene of Mexico were recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. Erastus Hayes.

The Universalist Circle will serve a supper to the public on St. Patrick's Day.

The basketball games Friday evening between the girls and boys teams of Canton and Mechanic Falls were well attended. The Canton girls team won by a score of 12 to 10. The Mechanic Falls boys won over the Cantons by a score of 15 to 9.

Supr. Francis H. Bate was at Buckfield, Friday evening as one of the judges of the interscholastic debate between the Buckfields and Dixfields.

Rev. F. M. Lamb also acted in the same capacity at Livermore Falls.

Quite a number from Canton attended the funeral of Closs S. Osgood, at Rumford, Saturday, which included two of the Commandery, G. L. Wadlin and J. N. Foye.

Wallace Conant and family are recovering from the grippe.

Miss Julia R. Jones is visiting her brother, Harris Jones, and family of Rumford.

A. L. Tirrell and A. S. Bicknell have built a good sized ice house and filled it the past week.

Miss Lydia Chamberlain entertained her four sisters from Hartford and Buckfield, Sunday.

Mrs. Hazel Farrington of Fayette is a guest of her aunt, Mrs. Anna Bailey, and cousin, Mrs. Lyman Ellis.

Mrs. Elmer York and son, Guy, visited George Goding of No. Livermore, Sunday.

A meeting of the East Oxford Dairy Testing Association was held at the Grange Hall, Thursday, nearly all members of this end of the county being present. Two good speakers were present.

R. H. Lovejoy gave an instructive talk and showed pictures of cows, and gave their records, tests, etc., and Mr. Talbot of Orono spoke on getting the most out of the test records, etc. A fine dinner was served at the vestry of the church by the Universalist Circle.

A special meeting for work was held by Canton Encampment, Thursday evening.

Mrs. Ella Nickerson, who has been spending the winter in Providence, R. I., is now visiting Charles Waite and sister at Dorchester, Mass. Mrs. Nickerson is much improved in health. She will soon visit relative in New Brunswick.

W. B. Gilbert has returned home from Boston with his brother, C. H. Gilbert, who is slowly gaining.

Jas. Davis and wife are moving to the Ward house.

Clarence Jones of Rumford is visiting his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Jones.

GILEAD

Albert Bennett of Gorham, N. H., was in town last Monday.

Herbert Wheeler and family spent last Sunday with relatives in Gorham, N. H.

Harold Whitcomb spent the week end in Berlin, N. H.

There was a social dance at the Town Hall last Saturday evening.

Carl Richardson has been confined to his home by illness.

Dr. A. C. Black of Gorham, N. H., was in town last week.

Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Brown and son, Wentworth, and D. P. Brown of Berlin, N. H., spent the week end at their home here.

Dr. H. H. Bryant of Gorham, N. H., was in town, Sunday.

D. C. Conroy spent the week end at his home in Bethel.

Dr. E. B. Gibbons of Berlin, N. H., was a recent visitor in this vicinity.

George Sawyer and Harry Eaton of Portland are spending a few days in town.

True Economist.

He was an ingenious and ingenious small boy. "Mother," he said on one occasion, "will you wash my face?" "Why, Hugh, can't you do that?" "Yes, mother, I can, but I'll have to wet my hands, and they don't need it."—Harper's Magazine.

WEST PARIS

Miss E. J. Dennen has returned home after spending several weeks with her nephew, E. B. Davis.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Devine and daughter went to Lewiston, Saturday for an indefinite stay. Mr. Devine is in poor health.

The graduating class of West Paris High School went to Lewiston, Saturday to have their class pictures taken.

Master Lewis J. Mann is the happy possessor of a Shetland pony, a gift on his eighth birthday from his father.

The pony was formerly owned by Dr. W. E. Webber's children of Lewiston, and is very kind and pretty.

Mrs. L. W. Titus of South Paris was the guest of Mrs. E. E. Wheeler, Thursday.

Ernest Robbins went to Dr. Fillet's Hospital in Portland, Thursday for treatment of his hand which was injured in the mill.

Mrs. Annie Cummings is taking a two weeks' vacation from her work at E. J. Mann's, and is at her home in Fryeburg.

There was a large attendance here at Pomonio Grange, Tuesday of last week.

C. L. Riddon was in New York last week, and Mrs. Riddon visited her sister, Mrs. Olaf Dwinall, at Auburn.

The five year old son of Peter Polvinen of Greenwood died Thursday from pneumonia following scarlet fever. This is the second child they have lost recently from the same cause.

Mrs. C. L. Riddon entertained the Jolly Twelve Whist Club, Saturday evening.

Mrs. Eveline (Cushman) Bicknell died at her home Saturday morning after a period of failing health followed by the recent epidemic. Mrs. Bicknell was the daughter of Caleb and Eveline (Bridgman) Cushman and was born in Buckfield, May 28, 1840. She was united in marriage with John Bicknell, Feb. 20, 1859. Five children were born to them, four of whom survive: Nellie Bicknell, Mrs. Agnes Pratt, John Alton and Evelyn, wife of Dexter W. Gray, also one grand-daughter, Agnes Gray, all of West Paris. Mr. Bicknell passed away many years ago. The funeral was held Monday afternoon from her home.

Rev. H. A. Markley officiated. The floral tributes were abundant. Mrs. Bicknell has been cared for in her later years by her daughter, Mrs. Gray, and family. Mrs. Bicknell was an industrious, energetic woman and in her earlier years assisted her husband by running hotels and boarding houses. She always remained quietly at home but had many friends by whom she was held in high esteem.

HANOVER

The annual town meeting passed off quietly, the following officers being elected:

Selectmen—H. E. Dyer, A. T. Powers, W. L. Chase.

Treasurer—C. F. Smith.

Member of School Committee—Mrs. A. T. Powers.

Tax Collector—Mrs. Emily B. Roberts.

Amount raised for schools, roads, ferry boat, etc., \$2,953.

Moderator—H. E. Dyer.

Clerk—A. G. Howe.

Mrs. Eli Stearns has recovered from her recent illness.

Mrs. Matilda Dodge, who has been poorly for some time, fell recently and injured her back, is now in a critical condition.

John Morse has been on a fishing trip the past week.

The farmers through this section are marketing their potatoes in Rumford.

L. A. Roberts was in Rumford, Monday.

J. B. Roberts has his new wall paper in ready for the spring papering.

Roy Stearns is hauling lumber to W. C. Holt's camps at Howard's Pond. Mr. Holt intends to put an addition on his camps this coming summer.

CHINESE BUY OFF BRIGANDS

Bandit Chieftains, When They Get Too Powerful, Are Dealt With in Peculiar Fashion.

Custom has prescribed a conventional solution of the problem of brigandage in China. When a brigand has gone beyond the orthodox limits in the terrorization of the region in which he operates, the government sets out to "suppress" him. It does so, in the usual way, by bargaining. Troops are moved, though not too close, and negotiations are opened with the bandit leader. He offers to go the way of good citizenship in exchange for an appointment as governor of a province. The governor offers to make him a general. They compromise on his appointment as brigades commander with a station rich and ripe for the picking. When negotiations have been satisfactorily consummated, the government troops are brought up. They launch an attack upon the bandits, fire into the air for a few minutes and then withdraw. Official proclamation is made; the bandits have been dispersed and order restored. And the former bandit chieftain finds that "suppression" is far more profitable than robbery—and much less hazardous.

Such is the history of not a few of the outstanding notables in contemporary Chinese public life.

NEWS HAPPENINGS OF GENERAL INTEREST

Items Gleaned From All Parts of New England

All four precincts of the town declared for city government in the annual town election and, as a result, Gardner will become the 39th city in Massachusetts.

A surgical operation of more than ordinary significance was performed in the Lincoln, N. H., hospital, when a 50 cent piece was removed from the intestines of Louis Hammett, 13, of that town.

Winoski, the large mill village across the river from Burlington, Vt., started on its career as Vermont's eighth city in the recent election, electing its first mayor, H. A. Bailey, and a board of aldermen of four members.

The average New England savings account shows an increase of from \$469 on Dec. 31, 1910, to \$488 on Dec. 31, 1921. It is announced in a report upon "savings deposits in New England during 1920 and 1921," issued by the Federal Reserve Bank, Boston.

The Maine Central Railroad announces that a 10 per cent reduction in freight rates on agricultural commodities from Maine to all southern points is now in effect. It has been approved by the Interstate Commerce Commission.

Provision for a municipal aviation field, the first in Maine, was made at the Brunswick annual town meeting. It was voted to lease a field about a mile and a half from the town hall and to equip it as a landing place for airplanes. The site was approved by war department officers.

Fred Hart, 27, a gassed soldier on leave from the Walter Reed hospital, Washington, left Pittsfield, Mass., for Albany on a walking trip from Boston to Chicago to regain his health. He recently won a \$10,000 wager by walking from Washington to Boston in 24 days.

The towns of Dover and Foxcroft, Me., though divided by the Piscataquis river, have been united as one municipality. They were "wedded" by an enabling act, passed by the legislature, and accepted by both towns. Dover was settled in 1803 and Foxcroft three years later.

"Give Maine \$10,000,000 for educational work, and in 10 years she will be producing more crops than will all the land reclaimed with the \$50,000,000 which Congress is now talking of appropriating for irrigation purposes," is the assertion of Dr. Augustus O. Thomas, state superintendent of the Maine schools.

Armed with pocket check-books on several Boston banks, Daniel Littman, 11, of the South end, Boston, set out at the head of his gang of about 12 members his own age to amass a fortune. After passing several checks for small purchases and receiving the change he was apprehended.

Without a dissenting vote, the committee on public health and social welfare, sitting jointly, reported adversely on the two maternity benefit projects before the Massachusetts legislature. On the Sheppard-Towner federal act, the committee report no legislation necessary on the bill appropriating \$41,000 as a preliminary to receiving federal aid.

Pigs are turning up their noses at garbage nowadays, and the Pittsfield, Mass., board of health blames it on to home brew. The board which, in its annual report, said the large amount of mash and other brewing and distilling refuse was hampering the collectors of garbage, has now decided that these same elements have made the garbage distasteful to the pigs.

Rufus Coppock, who loves alone in a little paper covered camp on top of Cow Hill, a mile from Plymouth, Mass., and makes his living as a fisherman and an itinerant pedlar when his trade of weaving is slack, has received word from Modia, Pa., where he has relatives, that he is one of 40 heirs to a family fortune estimated in value at between \$40,000,000 and \$50,000,000.

Bowlegged men make the best tree climbers. Whether they are short or tall, lean or fat, good natured or grouchy, makes little or no difference as long as they are bowlegged, the more they are bowed the better the owners can climb. This was proved to the satisfaction of civil service representatives who conducted a tree climbing contest in Elm Park, Worcester, Mass., to establish a list from which tree climbers can be selected in the future.

C. W. Robinson, minister of lands and mines, told the New Brunswick legislature that the time is here when construction should be undertaken of the 41 miles of railroad from Melville, N. B., to the St. John Valley railway, to Bancroft, Me., on the Maine Central railroad, which would give the Canadian National Railways a independent entry into New England.

Including the Maritime Provinces into closer touch with Boston and open what he said would be a profitable railway traffic and trade.

GOING IT TOO HARD

Overwork, worry, overeating and lack of exercise and sleep are responsible for much kidney trouble. If your back aches and the kidney's seem weak, rest up and use Doan's Kidney Pills.

W. D. Kilgore, prop. of hotel, North Newry, Me., says: "I used Doan's Kidney Pills two or three times in my life and they always did me good. On the farm, I had considerable hard work to do and always blamed that for the starting of my kidney trouble. I have suffered a lot from my back, it was so sore and lame one time I got past going. I also suffered from rheumatic trouble and it settled in my right knee joint and was very painful. My kidneys didn't act regularly, but just as soon as I got Doan's Kidney Pills at Bossor-man's Drug Store, and began using them, I was relieved. Two boxes cured me. My back got strong and my kidney's acted regularly. I still use a few of Doan's Kidney Pills, however, and they ward off any serious developments and keep my kidneys in good shape."

Price 60c, at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mr. Kilgore had. Foster-McIlburn Co., Mfrs., Buffalo, N. Y.

STONEHAM

Mrs. H. A. Richards spent the week end with friends in Lowell.

W. S. Grover of Hunt's Corner was at F. H. Grover's, Monday.

Frank Herrick, who has been spending a few days at his farm here, has returned to Norway.

"Elder" Guernsey, the noted guide, hunter and fisherman, has opened his camp on the shore of Lake Keewauylin.

W. L. Day of North Conway, N. H., is spending a few days here in the home of his uncle, F. H. Grover.

Mrs. Willis Warren of North Stoneham has been visiting relatives here.

Ralph Tucker has so far recovered from the injury received in the woods as to be able to walk out.

Carroll Curtis while working in the woods for F. R. McAllister cut his knee, Monday.

Mrs. Anne Fries, who has been working in Lowell, is in town visiting her daughter, Mrs. E. G. McAllister.

V. H. Littlefield purchased a pair of mules and a spotted pony last week.

C. A. Garelson, Jr., spent the week end with his parents at South Paris.

He returned Monday bringing with him the repairs for the blowers in the Oxford Box Company's mill.

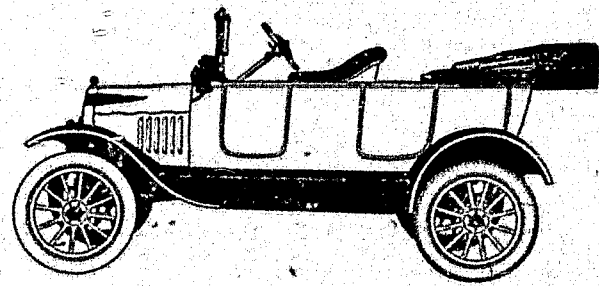
Johnnie Fries has returned from the hospital in Rochester, Minnesota, where he has been for several weeks having his throat treated for goitre. Mr. Fries was out there last Summer and had his throat operated on but was too weak at that time to undergo the complete operation, and came home for three months, then went back and now hopes for a complete cure.

Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Grover spent a few days with relatives in Oxford and Welchville last week. They report finding Simon Grover, for many years a resident of this town, in a very feeble condition. He and his wife make their home with their youngest son, Alton Grover, at Welchville.

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Assets Dec. 31, 1921

Mortgage Loans	\$9,743.00
Stocks and Bonds	456,000.00
Cash in Office and Bank	27,639.05
Agents' Balances	21,343.34
Interest and Rents	2,208.19
All other Assets	245.25
Gross Assets	\$518,078.73
Deduct items not admitted	45,602.86
Admitted Assets	\$472,475.87

Liabilities Dec. 31, 1921

Net Unpaid Losses	\$7,661.83
Unearned Premiums	251,012.63
All other Liabilities	4,950.25
Surplus over all Liabilities	208,851.27
Total Liabilities and Surplus	\$472,475.87

ORIENT INSURANCE COMPANY, Hartford, Connecticut

Assets Dec. 31, 1921

Real Estate	\$249,751.16
Stocks and Bonds	4,809,625.80
Cash in Office and Bank	388,448.89
Agents' Balances	532,363.60
Bills Receivable	307.81
Interest and Rents	90,831.23
All other Assets	15,928.47
Gross Assets	\$6,185,747.01
Deduct items not admitted	506,999.34
Admitted Assets	\$5,678,747.67

Liabilities Dec. 31, 1921

Net Unpaid Losses	\$313,745.40
Unearned Premiums	2,662,025.83
All other Liabilities	196,042.70
Cash Capital	1,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities	1,606,933.74
Total Liabilities and Surplus	\$5,678,747.67

"Hit the Nail on the Head."

"To hit the nail on the head," now suggests the competent carpenter, but originally referred to the nail or pin which marked the center of the bull's-eye.—Ernest Weekley in the Cornhill Magazine (London).

THE AETNA CASUALTY AND SURETY COMPANY, HARTFORD, CONN.

Assets Dec. 31, 1921

Mortgage Loans	\$2,935,225.00
Collateral Loans	383,815.05
Stocks and Bonds	8,522,819.50
Cash in Office and Bank	1,236,232.67
Agents' Balances	1,719,824.66
Bills Receivable	164,989.12
Interest and Rents	186,023.46
All other Assets	485,234.23
Gross Assets	\$15,634,149.78
Deduct items not admitted	175,277.94
Admitted Assets	\$15,458,865.86

Liabilities Dec. 31, 1921

Net Unpaid Losses	\$3,226,441.69
Unearned Premiums	6,068,978.17
All other Liabilities	1,090,437.88
Cash Capital	2,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities	\$3,072,508.12
Total Liabilities and Surplus	\$15,458,865.86

THE LONDON & LANCASHIRE INS. CO., LTD., LONDON, ENGLAND

Assets Dec. 31, 1921

Real Estate	\$300,000.00
Stocks and Bonds	5,670,523.13
Cash in Office and Bank	902,770.70
Agents' Balances	895,084.42
Bills Receivable	3,079.08
Interest and Rents	102,168.71
All other Assets	2,716.52
Gross Assets	\$7,607,970.25
Deduct items not admitted	265,607.36
Admitted Assets	\$7,342,362.89

Liabilities Dec. 31, 1921

Net Unpaid Losses	\$367,683.93
Unearned Premiums	3,855,908.00
All other Liabilities	283,480.00
Surplus over all Liabilities	\$3,415,302.96
Total Liabilities and Surplus	\$7,702,368.89

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NORWAY, MAINE

THE J. E. JONES LETTER

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ly. Senator Fall said to break into very frequently, but Secretary Fall soon literally fell out of sight—or almost so. Now Mr. Fall is in the limelight, and instead of being unhappy he may enjoy a few glorious days. The prospects that he will be thus happy is due to the fact that he is having a row. And how the old cattle puncher does love a row! It is mostly about Alaska and the claim of the Interior Department to the supervision of the Forestry Bureau. The old Clifford Pierbet crowd are after Fall, and he is fighting back. Mr. Fall says that the development of Alaska and the practical administration of the Forestry has been retarded by the old "professional conservationists," and he has issued statements showing what he would like to do to help in the development of our natural resources. A good many people are inclined to agree with Secretary Fall in the points he has made. The Secretary of Agriculture, Mr. Wall, does not take kindly to the suggestion of relinquishing control of the Forestry Bureau to another Cabinet official, and in consequence a row in the Cabinet seems to be hatching. In any

event Secretary Fall has started something, and he is bringing out a lot of information that may be helpful to the country, and further the movements for developing our natural resources. Anyhow, Mr. Fall seems in a fair way to get the happy habit again, unless he gets so mad in the meanwhile that he decides to resign.

MR. GOMPERS IS DISPLEASED

A friend of Samuel Gompers once said of him: "He throws more monkey wrenches into good machinery than any other man living." Some one else might have said very truly that Mr. Gompers always has the courage of his convictions. In any event his friends and enemies will agree that he is habitually displeased with the way the world is being run. Quite frequently he spoke in condemnation of government legislative bodies for "failing to start the wheels of industry on constructive projects," and he denounced the Administration for its "amazing kind of meddling with tax and tariff questions." In almost the same breath he scored the recent farm conference held at the suggestion of the President as "controlled absolutely" by a group of "approximately sixty railroad presidents, trust magnates, bankers and anti-trade union employers." To which

he adds the opinion that the Kansas industrial court is a "vicious principle of slave labor." Aside from a few similar complaints about the "hardships" imposed on the American people by taking their wine and beer away from them, Mr. Gompers has offered no further criticisms about the continued use of water for laundry and bathing purposes. But "we'll fix 'em," the fault finders always boast; and in this respect the old labor leader is no exception because he serves notice that "there have been indications of a government policy to aid in this destructive crusade" against the union labor movement which Mr. Gompers asserts "can not and will not be overlooked in coming elections."

In the present instance Mr. Gompers threatens to destroy only a few Congressmen, whereas prior to the last election he promised to overturn the whole presidential machinery. Fortunately this is a charitable world, for there are few people who know Mr. Gompers but who agree that "the old man means well, and after all he has done a lot of good—so let him grow!"

Envelopes from 5 cents to 20 cents per bunch, and paper from 10 cents to 25 cents per pound at the Citizen Office.

Uncle Walt's Story

MAKING WORK EASY

"MRS. SIDEWINDER made a sensible talk at our club meeting yesterday," explained Mrs. Jamesworthy. "She said there are many disagreeable tasks which might be made easy and pleasant if women worked together at them. Things that are tedious when one does them alone, are interesting when done by a crowd. She pointed out that the dandelions are a terrible pest, ruining most of the lawns in towns, and suggested that the women hold dandelion parties."



"I can imagine the rest," said Jamesworthy. "You don't need to hand out the sickening details. A gag of old beldames will come to our place, for instance, and pull about five cents' worth of dandelions and then sit and have a photographer make a large picture of them; after which they'll eat two dollars and eighty cents' worth of ice cream, and a lot of sponge cake and anything you happen to have in the refrigerator. One of the beldames will be appointed a committee to write up the affair for the newspapers, and Mrs. Sidewinder will see that she gets credit for the glory as the originator of the scheme, and next spring her husband will be running for alderman on the strength of it."

"Nowadays the women never get down to brass tacks and do real work. They must make a society function out of every little chore they do. They won't carry a dead cat out of the front yard unless there's a photographer on hand to make a group picture of it. If work can be reorganized so it looks like a game they will be industrious enough, otherwise they strike and send communications to the newspapers explaining that no woman should permit herself to be a drudge."

"One able-bodied man will destroy more dandelions in half a day than 18 women will in three weeks. The man takes off his coat and gets down on his marrowbones and pulls dandelions. The 18 women lean against trees and fan themselves with Japanese fans, and try to look like so many Mary Andersons, and wish there was somebody around to set them to music."

"Women are becoming more and more an expensive luxury since they organized themselves into clubs. I have nothing to say against the club idea in itself, Mrs. Jamesworthy. I want to see the females have as good a time as they can, within reasonable limits. The men belong to clubs and lodges, too, but they have halls in which to hold their meetings."

"The women wouldn't enjoy holding a meeting in a hall. They have to assemble in the home of one of their suffering sisters, so they can size up the furniture and fittings, and be able to say, when they go away, that they never saw such execrable taste. And the suffering sister sees that her home is a frost, and she makes up her mind to give her heart-sick husband no rest until he has chartered a string of painters and paper-hangers, decorators and glaziers."

"But this isn't the worst of it. The suffering sister who entertains the club is expected to set up refreshments, and she feels it her duty, as a good sport, to furnish the best the market affords. The last time the ladies of the Busy Bunch club met at this house you bought all the strawberries in town, and at that period strawberries were shipped in from points 5,000 miles away, and when the bill came in, at the end of the month, I had a stroke of paralysis and an attack of paralysis. If you get up a dandelion party you will want to buy out the leading confectioner, so I'll advertise for a man to come and do the job."

One Good Point.

A very kind-hearted man could never be brought to say an unkind word about anybody. One day a friend expressed his opinion to him.

"Look here," he said, "it's all very well being charitable and all that, but you can carry that sort of thing too far. Now, there's Blank. Can you honestly find a single good point about Blank?"

"The kind-hearted man appeared to be nonplused, for Blank was a very bad man, and it seemed impossible to find anything good to say about him. "Well," he said, at length, "you must admit he wears a fine fur-lined coat!" —London Tit-Bits.

Chinese Carry Stoves.

Chinese women wear practically the same clothes in winter as in summer. In the most severe weather, however, they wear heating baskets under their cloaks.

These baskets are plain wicker ones, such as we use for trash. Inside the baskets charcoal warmers are placed. They will radiate heat for hours. The charcoal is mixed with chemicals that generate oxygen, and thus the charcoal will burn constantly even though it is sealed in the containers.

MRS. MARY JANE [POOLE] YOUNG

Born Jan. 4, 1868. Died Mar. 4, 1922.

The subject of this sketch was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Poole and was born in Sherbrooke, Province of Quebec. In her youth she worked in the Raymond Hotel at Pasadena, California, for seven winters, returning East each year to work for the same company in the Summer resorts among the White Mountains. Possessed of a retentive memory she could tell much that was interesting of her travels from ocean to ocean, and of life in the big Hotels. A faithful, capable girl, holding a good position, it was with regret that her employers accepted her resignation at the time of her marriage to Lewis E. Young which occurred at Bethel, Feb. 4th, 1902. Going from here to Kalispell, Montana, where they resided for three and one-half years, then removing to Sherbrooke for a time. Coming to Bethel 17 years ago and for 16 years her home has been at Skillington where she has been a loyal neighbor, ever ready to help in any work for the good of the community, a most helpful member of the Mothers Club and a mother ever devoted to her children's welfare and her home duties.

For eight years she filled the position of housekeeper for Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Skillings, but the evening always found her at her own loved home, planning and doing for her own dear ones.

Her health had not been good for some time and in the Fall she had a serious nervous breakdown and although hopes were entertained of her recovery and in spite of loving care and medical skill she gradually failed until the morning of March 4th she "entered into rest."

In the quiet hush of morning The angel of God said "come," And gladly she went at his bidding, For her tasks had been all "well done," Tho' we did not hear the summons, Yet it bade her "enter rest," And we know she's free from sickness, So we trust that God knows best.

Mrs. Young leaves a husband, Lewis E. Young of Vancouver, B. C. Of the seven children born to them the eldest, Little May, is buried in Montana, the youngest, Jennie Elizabeth, died in infancy and is buried in Bethel.

Three daughters: Mrs. James Spinney, Mrs. Clarence Judkins, and Miss Florence Young, a member of the Senior class of Gould's Academy, and two sons, William and Archie, are left to mourn the loss of a mother loyal to them even unto death. Three little grand-children, Erma and Georgia Judkins and Master Harold Young, are too young to understand their loss. There is also an aged mother, Mrs. Charles Poole of Oxford; two sisters, Mrs. Joseph Thomas of New Westminster, B. C., and Mrs. Ben F. Lapham of Oxford, four brothers, Thomas Poole and William Poole of Oxford, Archibald Poole of Oakland, Me., and Jack Poole of Bethel.

The funeral was held at the Sunday School room at Skillington, Rev. W. C. Curtis speaking tender words of comfort to the bereaved ones. A great many neighbors and friends were present to pay their last tribute of respect to one who had ever been a lifter in whatever field of service she had been placed. The casket was covered and surrounded by masses of beautiful flowers giving silent testimony of love and sympathy from many friends and relatives. The body was taken to Woodlawn Cemetery.

From her dear loving face with soft tender hands They had banded her shining hair, And God in His love has smoothed out the lines That were made there by Time and Care.

The dear willing hands that so patiently wrought,

Hold sweet lilies of Peace against the breast.

And the lips that e'er gave us such fond loving words Are now closed 'neath God's seal of Rest.

Faithful and well has her work been done,

"All is finished" the Master cries; And her's is the robe and starry crown In a home beyond the skies.

But ours the loneliness waiting here For her face we shall never more see, Until we too join the silent host And cross over the crystal sea.

To the shore where her voice will welcome us home, To join in the songs of the blest; In that land where partings are never known, And the weary shall find sweet rest.

Bethel, March, 1922.

Eggs Are Good Imitations.

A remarkable and inexplicable fact about the cuckoo's eggs is that they very commonly resemble the eggs of the bird in whose nest they are laid. Of 755 cuckoo eggs in the Berlin Natural History museum, 575 strikingly resemble the eggs of the foster parent in color and marking.

Bret Harie.

Bret Harie, American poet and novelist, was born at Albany, N. Y., August 25, 1830. While a youth he went to California, where, several years later he founded the Overland Monthly in San Francisco. In 1870 he was made professor of recent literature in the University of California, but resigned and returned to New York the following year. He was United States consul at Cremona, Germany, 1878-80, and at Glasgow, 1880-85, and afterward lived in England. Among his many works are "The Luck of Roaring Camp," "The Outcasts of Plover Flat," "Condensed Novels," etc., "The Henther Chinee," "Poems," "Stories of the Sierras," "Tales of the Argonauts," "Gabriel Conroy," "Thankful Blossom," "Two Men of Sandy Bar," "California Stories," "A Millionaire of Rough and Ready," "A Drift From Redwood Camp" and "A Phyllis of the Sierras."

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Mr. Bibbles—"I never saw the equal of those Jagsbys next door. They are always borrowing something. We have lent them everything except the piano and our twin beds."

Mrs. Bibbles—"I'm sorry you're wrought up. Mr. Jagsbys has just sent over to know if it!"

"Don't say it!"

"If you have a few empty bottles you can spare, pint or quart size."

"Out of my way, woman! I'll take them over myself." B. & O. Magazine.

As she stifled a yawn, she asked sweetly: "Is your watch going, George?"

"Yep," answered George.

"How soon?"—Punch Bowl.

A negro was trying to saddle a mule. "Does the beast ever kick you?"

asked a bystander.

"No, sir boss, he don't nevah kick me, but he frequent kicks where ah jes been."—The Gleaner.

Captain (sharply)—"Button up that coat."

Married Recruit (absently)—"Yes, my dear."—Awgwan.

Doctor: "There's absolutely nothing the matter with you madam. You should seek quiet for a while."

She: "But, doctor, look at my tongue!"

Doctor: "The same applies to your tongue."—Kansas City Star.

A tutor who tooted the flute Tried to teach two young tooters to toot. Said the two to the Tutor "Is it harder to toot, or To tutor two tooters to toot."

Student at the station—"Bye Dad, and don't forget to write if it's only a check."—Cornell Widow.

ANDOVER

Miss Francis B. Adams of Boston, who has held evangelistic meetings for several weeks in Rumford, preached in the Andover Congregational church Sunday morning.

Lewis Morton has moved his family into his father's house on Main street. Mr. Russell Morgage, Supt. of Schools, from Mexico is in town this week.

Mr. Wallace Taylor of Roxbury was a visitor at Lorne Mt. Grange, Saturday. There was no mail from Rumford, Wednesday of last week, the roads being unfit for travel.

The little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Marston, was quite ill last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Irving Hanson and daughter, Adella, from Rumford were guests of Mrs. Hanson's people, Y. A. Thurston and family, Sunday.

Lewis Morton has sold his house to Albert Berry.

The young people held their whist party in the hall, Thursday evening with fourteen tables at play. Mrs. Carle Morton and Archer Poor won the highest score and Mrs. Helen Morgan and Edward Pratt the lowest. Light refreshments were served.

Mrs. Bedell has been suffering from a severe cold this week.

Sidney Abbott, who has been ill with threatened pneumonia, is able to be out of doors.

Miss Agnes Blake Poor, who died in her eightieth year at her residence, 25 Fairmount Street, Brookline, Feb. 27, was born in Bangor, Me., the daughter of the late Henry V. Poor and her mother, Mary Pierce, was the daughter of Dr. Pierce, who in the last century was for fifty years minister of the First Parish Church in Brookline. Her father, Henry V. Poor, was born in Andover, in what is now called the "Homestead," the son of Sylvanus and Mary Merrill Poor. His mother, Mary Merrill, was the daughter of Ezekiel Merrill, the first white child born in Andover. Miss Poor was the author of two novels, "Brothers and Strangers," published by Roberts Brothers in 1914; "Under Guiding Stars," published by Putnam in 1905. She also wrote short stories for magazines, a collection which was published by Putnam in 1908 under the title of "Boston Neighbors." Miss Poor was a great student of American History and Genealogy. She wrote a paper of her ancestors, the first settlers of Andover, which was read at a reunion of the Merrill family held at the meeting of the

waters in Andover several years ago. She was very fond of flowers and had much to do with laying out the beautiful gardens at the Merrill house when her father had the house remodeled. She spent part of every summer here for many years and leaves a large circle of friends to mourn their loss. She is survived by a sister, Miss Lucy T. Poor, of Brookline. The funeral was held Thursday, Mar. 2, in the chapel of the First Parish Church, Walnut Street, Brookline, Mass.

Mrs. Olive Lovejoy is spending a few weeks in Los Angeles, Calif.

NORTH NEWRY

Miss Vada Hanson is at home from Bethel for a few weeks.

A. C. Littlehale came down from Exeter, Saturday after Mrs. Littlehale who has been caring for her daughter, Mrs. F. W. Wight.

Lee Thurston took dinner at L. E. Wight's one day last week.

Wilfred Kilgore is saving pulp for L. E. Wight.

Miss Beatrice Morton is assisting with the work at W. B. Wight's.

Mrs. L. E. Wight went to Rumford, Saturday, Mar. 4, returning Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Brooks were in town one day last week.

Hazel Linnell, Supt. of Schools, was in town, recently. She has gone to Magalloway for a few days.

L. E. Davis has finished sawing birch and has gone to Bethel, where he has work in a garage.

Mrs. Davis and children are visiting her parents at Locke's Mills.

There will be a public whist party at the Grange Hall, Saturday night, Mar. 14, for the benefit of the Grange.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Littlehale spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Eames. M. A. Poine was at his home on the Branch, Sunday.

SOUTH BETHEL

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Hutchins are receiving congratulations upon the birth of a son born March 8.

Fred Edwards and sister were in town, Thursday.

Mrs. Walter Yeagles' sister, who has been visiting her for the past week, has returned to her home.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Smith are living upstairs over Mr. Howard Hutchins. Mrs. Lincoln Cummings is caring for her daughter, Mrs. Howard Hutchins. Oscar Tibbitts was at Bethel, Friday. Mary Chase was at Carle's Yashaw's, Thursday.

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BRYANT'S POND

The building used by the central telephone service has been purchased by Charles P. Thurston of Greenwood. Mr. Thurston has bought a lot out on the Rumford road and will move this building onto it and occupy it as a dwelling. The telephone office will soon be found in other quarters.

Geo. H. Cummings left this week for a trip to Montreal and Detroit on business connected with the railroad men's union.

Clyde Dunham has purchased the Johnson Bennett farm on Howe Hill in Greenwood.

Elm M. Noyes suffered a partial shock to his right side Saturday. He is improving now and his physician advises that he will be out again in a few days.

Donnet Cotton, who died in Norway village Monday afternoon, was a native of Woodstock and a son of the late William Cotton, Jr. Mr. Cotton lived once on the "Old Cotton farm," at East Woodstock and later on the Johnson farm in the west part of the town.

For a number of years his home was in Mechanic Falls, moving eight years ago to Norway. He was a veteran of the Civil War, enlisting in an Auburn regiment. He leaves a widow and several children.

Ernest Smith is employed as an agent by the Chase Nursery Co., and is selling their stock through this section.

SOUTH WOODSTOCK

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Andrews spent a few days in Portland last week. Moses Smith is in this vicinity saving wood.

Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Andrews and two boys spent the day, Sunday, with her father, Bert Jackson, at Jackson's Crossing.

Miss Mary Hendrickson spent the week end at home. Her mother returned with her to spend a few days.

A. R. Hendrickson and C. R. Wilson are loading a car of basswood.

Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Russell spent Saturday and Sunday in South Paris.

Mr. Murray Russell of Norway was in town, Saturday, to attend the meeting at the S. D. A. church.

Mr. I. A. Thorne has sold his place at South Paris and is moving the rest of his goods here.

Miss Myrtle Hendrickson is at home from her school at Pine Tree Academy, Auburn, Me.

Mr. Charles B. Keith visited his sister, Mrs. Maud Benson, Saturday night and Sunday.

Miss Evelyn Benson is spending a few days with her brother, Gerald Benson, at Oxford.

Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Silver were in Norway, Saturday, to visit her sister, Mrs. Bert Rich, who is ill.

GROVER HILL
The men in this community have been shovelling out the big drifts.

E. C. Jackson returned to Gorham, N. H., after a visit with his sister, Mrs. N. A. Stearns.

Karl Stearns, who came home ill from an attack of influenza, has recovered sufficiently to be able to go out doors pleasant days.

Dr. R. R. Tibbitts made a professional call at N. A. Stearns', Mar. 5.

Mrs. Fred Shaw is with her daughter, Mrs. Mildred Tyler, who is making preparations to take her son, Raymond, to the hospital in the near future.

Miss Ethel Grover from Gorham is the guest of relatives here for a while.

Mrs. Sena Baker was the guest of her daughter, Lillie Baker, at Mr. A. B. Grover's over the week end.

Friends of Mr. A. B. Grover will regret to learn that he is a patient in the M. G. Hospital, Portland, at the present time.

Mrs. Merlie Wheeler and sons from Bethel village were Sunday guests at Mrs. A. B. Grover's.

Miss Amy Wheeler is the guest of her sister and brothers at Bethel for a few weeks.

BYRON

Mrs. Gertrude Young was in Rumford, Friday.

Sigvard Wassgren has returned home from his visit in Rumford.

E. E. Knapp is driving team at the U. S. Bobbin camp.

Joe Eckley was the guest of E. E. Knapp over the week end.

Mabel May was the guest of her mother, Mrs. Leo Arsenault, over Sunday.

H. E. Annis was in Buckfield over the week end.

Ross Hodgson was in Rumford, Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Thompson of Auburn were guests of E. E. Knapp, Friday night.

MIDDLE INTERVALE ROAD
Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Coolidge and daughter, Mae, spent Sunday at J. P. Coolidge's.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hall visited at O. A. Duck's, Sunday.

Miss Ethel Capen was walking out Monday for the first time since her severe illness of the flu.

Mrs. J. F. Coolidge visited at W. B. Baker's, Friday last week, returning home Saturday A. M.

C. A. Capen is cutting some pine for lumber for his own use.

Edgar Coolidge hauled a load of hay for his father, Tuesday.

Ned Carter is cutting some pine for lumber for the season.

Howard Gunther has been in ill health for several weeks past.

The Winslow family is under quarantine for scarlet fever.

NEWRY
Leon Enman is at work for Ezra Chapman, cutting birch. F. I. French is assisting him.

Lester Enman was at home from Bethel over the week end.

Mrs. Harry Powers came home with her baby boy last Wednesday from the Bethel hospital.

Mrs. Darwin Smeeth of Exeter, N. H., visited her mother last Sunday, returning Thursday, taking her little daughter with her who has been with her grandmother all winter.

Mrs. Selma Smith is at Bethel working for Mrs. Wallace Warren.

NOTICE OF LOST BANK BOOK
Notice is hereby given that the Bethel Savings Bank has been notified that book of deposit issued by said bank to Gretta Wilson, Wilson's Mills, Maine, and numbered 4044 has been destroyed or lost, and that she desires to have a new book of deposit issued to her.

BETHEL SAVINGS BANK,
By A. E. Herriek, Treasurer,
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ALBANY

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Cummings were week end guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Swan, at Locke's Mills.

Helen and Ruth Andrews are visiting at their grandfather's, Abel Andrews'.

H. I. Bean called on Miss Anna and Mr. Dexter Cumming at Lewiston, Friday. Mr. Cummings, who has been having the grippe, is gaining slowly.

Will Day of North Conway and cousin, Miss Gloria Grover, of Stoneham were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Dedmann.

Those in the neighborhood who have been ill with grippe, are gaining slowly.

THE MASONIC PROTECTIVE ASSOCIATION, WORCESTER, MASS.
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Real Estate, \$82,775.00
Mortgage Loans, 3,029.01
Stocks and Bonds, 1,739,518.85
Cash in Office and Bank, 484,800.34
Interest and Rents, 34,707.80
All other Assets, 69,988.66

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Deduct items not admitted, 22,183.21

Admitted Assets, \$2,337,340.45
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1921

Net Unpaid Losses, \$709,000.24
Unearned Premiums, 1,042,662.63
All other Liabilities, 121,236.68
Cash Capital, 100,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities, 308,441.00

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$2,337,340.45

GOVERNOR INDORSES PUBLICITY BUREAU

District Advisory Boards Are Being Organized All Over State

That the Maine Publicity Bureau is attracting wide attention is manifested by the fact that already twenty-five inquiries are received every week requesting information relative to the State. The Bureau has only been in the process of formation for less than a month, and the interest already shown would make certain that when National Advertising is put into effect that thousands of inquiries will be received relative to the Recreational, Agricultural, Industrial and Commercial opportunities in the State.

District Advisory Boards are rapidly being organized all over the State, and as soon as every district is organized, the Bureau will commence functioning in a large way.

Each District Advisory Board will have equal representation on the Executive Board and also the privilege of desk room in the Main Office of the Bureau at Portland, so that any inquiry received will be referred to each district, so that all have the opportunity to benefit from the program.

Each district will raise its proportionate share of the Budget of \$75,000 a year for a period of three years to carry on this work. \$55,000 will be spent to nationally advertise every interest in the State, and \$20,000 for the maintenance of information bureaus, descriptive literature, etc., pertaining to every district in the State.

This movement has been endorsed by the State Chamber of Commerce, and Agricultural League, Maine Hotel Association, Maine Automobile Association, W. J. Thompson, Master of the State Grange, and other organizations.

March 15th, the anniversary of Maine's admittance into the Union will be observed as "State of Maine Day" in all of the Schools of the State.

March 20th to 25th, will be "State of Maine Week" and during that week every effort will be made by the various district advisory boards to raise the necessary funds to finance this movement.

Governor Percival P. Baxter has endorsed the Maine Program and written to the State of Maine Publicity Bureau as follows:

"The Program your Bureau has outlined for 'State of Maine Week' will give our citizens an intimate knowledge of the natural advantages of our State. I want our people to become alive to the opportunities that exist for the development of our agricultural, industrial, commercial and recreational resources.

"Maine owes it to the rest of the country to let those beyond our borders know about our boundless possibilities. The campaign that is about to be launched by the Maine Publicity Bureau is destined to accomplish much for our State and I believe that our own citizens as well as those of our sister States will be benefited by the work you have undertaken."

(Signed) PERCIVAL P. BAXTER, Governor of Maine

The Program of the State of Maine Publicity Bureau is for Maine, and every one in the State who believes in Maine should do his part to make this movement a success. In order that it may be possible to advertise the recreational, commercial, industrial and agricultural possibilities and opportunities of Maine to the entire Nation, and truly make Maine a Mecca for Mankind.

Why It Is Called Wall Street. Wall Street, New York, derives its name from the old wall that extended along it in the old Dutch days, and marked the northern boundary of the town of New Amsterdam.

SOCIETY DIRECTORY

A cordial invitation is extended to strangers who belong to any of these organizations to visit meetings when in town.

BETHEL LODGE, F. & A. M., No. 97, meets in Masonic Hall the second Thursday evening of each month. R. R. Tibbitts, W. M.; Fred B. Merrill, Secretary.

PURITY CHAPTER, No. 102, O. E. S., meets in Masonic Hall the first Wednesday evening of each month. Mrs. Elizabeth Garey, W. M.; Mrs. Pearl Tibbitts, Secretary.

MT. ABRAM LODGE, No. 31, I. O. O. F., meets in their Hall every Friday evening. A. C. Brinck, N. G.; Wesley Wheeler, Secretary.

SUNSET REBEKAH LODGE, No. 64, I. O. O. F., meets in Odd Fellows' Hall the first and third Monday evenings of each month. Mrs. Lena Brinck, N. G.; Anna French, Secretary.

SUDBURY LODGE, K. of P., No. 23, meets in Odd Fellows Hall each Tuesday evening. Winfield Howe, O. C.; John Harrington, K. of R. and S.

NACCOMI TEMPLE, PYTHIAN SISTERS, No. 68, meets the 2nd and 4th Wednesday evening of each month at I. O. O. F. Hall. Mrs. Helen Baker, M. E. C. Mrs. Minnie Bennett, M. of R. & C.

BROWN POST, No. 84, G. A. R., meets at Odd Fellows' Hall the second and fourth Thursdays of each month. A. H. Hutchinson, Commander; I. O. Jordan, Adjutant; L. N. Bartlett, Q. M.

BROWN W. R. O., No. 36, meets in Odd Fellows' Hall the second and fourth Thursday evening of each month. Emily Forbes, Pres.; Eva Hastings, Secretary.

GEORGE A. MUNDT POST, No. 81, AMERICAN LEGION, meets the first Tuesday of each month in its rooms. William Mackay, Commander; Howard Tyler, Adjutant.

BETHEL GRANGE, No. 56, meets in their hall the first and third Tuesday evenings of each month. A. F. Copeland, M.; Eva Hastings, Secretary.

"Cold in the Head"
Is an acute attack of Nasal Catarrh. Those subject to frequent "colds in the head" will find that the use of HALL'S CATARRH MEDICINE will build up the system, cleanse the blood and render them less liable to colds. Repeated attacks of Acute Catarrh may lead to Chronic Catarrh.

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GLENN FALLS INS. CO.
Assets Dec. 31, 1921

Real Estate	\$220,400.55
Mortgage Loans	1,615,935.00
Collateral Loans	145,957.50
Stocks and Bonds	6,332,114.10
Cash in Office and Bank	692,510.97
Agents' Balances	990,589.44
Interest and Rents	60,924.80
All other Assets	141,904.09
Gross Assets	\$10,375,233.51
Deduct items not admitted	27,853.34
Admitted Assets	\$10,347,380.17
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1921	
Net Unpaid Losses	\$1,950,687.00
Unearned Premiums	\$941,353.59
All other Liabilities	570,940.52
Cash Capital	1,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities	3,776,309.15
Total Liabilities and Surplus	\$10,347,380.17

3-9-21-F

THE FIDELITY AND CASUALTY CO. OF NEW YORK
Assets Dec. 31, 1921

Real Estate	\$1,290,835.55
Mortgage Loans	60,900.00
Stocks and Bonds	20,674,944.88
Cash in Office and Bank	925,858.89
Agents' Balances	3,741,640.63
Interest and Rents	349,343.32
All other Assets	607,737.51
Gross Assets	\$27,590,420.83
Deduct items not admitted	1,518,243.39
Admitted Assets	\$26,072,177.44
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1921	
Net Unpaid Losses	\$4,636,161.60
Unearned Premiums	\$892,237.52
All other Liabilities	1,494,958.27
Cash Capital	2,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities	4,958,476.63
Total Liabilities and Surplus	\$26,072,177.44

3-9-21-F

THE OCEAN ACCIDENT & GUARANTEE CO. LTD., OF LONDON, ENGLAND
New York Office: 114 Fifth Avenue, New York City
Assets Dec. 31, 1921

Real Estate	\$539,233.00
Mortgage Loans	72,000.00
Stocks and Bonds	15,700,425.00
Cash in Office and Bank	583,150.00
Agents' Balances	343,718.39
Bills Receivable	411,991.91
Interest and Rents	212,154.23
All other Assets	2,464,703.45
Gross Assets	\$19,962,232.48
Deduct items not admitted	2,750,739.04
Admitted Assets	\$17,211,493.44
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1921	
Net Unpaid Losses	\$7,871,111.43
Unearned Premiums	\$532,151.87
All other Liabilities	858,425.92
Cash Capital	7,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities	2,189,895.22
Total Liabilities and Surplus	\$17,211,493.44

A. E. JONES, Agent, Rumford, Me.
3-23-F

ARMA LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY, Accident and Liability Dept.
550 Main Street, Hartford, Conn.
Assets Dec. 31, 1921

Mortgage Loans	\$5,734,835.44
Collateral Loans	226,300.00
Stocks and Bonds	13,866,392.50
Cash in Office and Bank	2,773,411.66
Agents' Balances	3,851,000.39
Bills Receivable	75,538.40
Interest and Rents	419,325.17
All other Assets	161,928,076.09
Gross Assets	\$191,924,614.83
Deduct items not admitted	206,602.59
Admitted Assets	\$191,718,012.24
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1921	
Net Unpaid Losses	\$18,932,950.82
Unearned Premiums	7,699,673.73
All other Liabilities	147,885,897.68
Cash Capital	5,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities	17,579,222.01
Total Liabilities and Surplus	\$191,718,012.24

AGENTS
Bethel, Walter E. Bartlett
Rumford, Matthew McCarthy
Pysburg, Merrill & Hastings
Hemford, Hamford Falls Ins. Agency
Dixfield, Eliza L. Hutton
South Paris, W. J. Wheeler & Co.
3-23-F

Har Daddy Was All Right.
When I was twelve years old I called upon Mary (aged eleven) one Sunday evening. I was all dressed up and had differed an armful of mother's cherished lilacs from the garden. I staid out the alley gate, traversed Mary's back yard and she met me at the kitchen door. We sat on the back steps. I restrained a strong impulse to flee when Mary said, "Father is coming, I think." It was a cruel, bad man. When he saw me I was terrified. What he said was, "How's the boy tonight?" and he took me both in the house and sent little brother after ice cream and Mary's mother cut a cake. But I wasn't kicked out by an irate father, after all; in fact, he still likes me and often jokes about the lilacs and the kitchen steps. Although another young man walked up the stairs with Mary. —Chicago Journal.

STATE OF MAINE

To all persons interested in either of the Estates hereinafter named:
At a Probate Court, held at Paris, in and for the County of Oxford, on the third Tuesday of February, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twenty-two. The following matters having been presented for the action thereupon hereinafter indicated, it is hereby ORDERED:

That notice thereof be given to all persons interested, by causing a copy of this order to be published three weeks successively in the Oxford County Citizen a newspaper published at Bethel, in said County, that they may appear at a Probate Court to be held at said Paris, on the third Tuesday of March, A. D. 1922, at 9 o'clock in the forenoon, and be heard thereon if they see cause.

Elizabeth R. Whitman late of Woodstock, deceased; first account presented for allowance by Ellery C. Park, administrator de bonis non with the will annexed.

Elizabeth R. Whitman late of Woodstock, deceased; petition for determination of inheritance tax presented by Ellery C. Park, administrator de bonis non with the will annexed.

George A. Grover late of Bethel, deceased; petition for the sale of real estate by Ellery C. Park, executor, and the distribution of the proceeds therefrom presented by Albert B. Grover et al, devisees under the will of said deceased.

Hiram H. Bean late of Bethel, deceased; will and petition for probate thereof and the appointment of Rosilla H. Bean as executrix of the same to act without bond presented by said Rosilla H. Bean, the executrix therein named.

Alvin E. Chapman late of Bethel, deceased; petition for order to distribute balance remaining in her hands presented by Elizabeth H. Griffin, administratrix.

Witness, ALBERT B. STEARNS, Judge of said Court at Paris, this third Tuesday of February in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twenty-two.

ALBERT D. PARK, Register.
3-2-21

NOTICE

The subscriber hereby gives notice that he has been duly appointed administrator of the estate of Mary E. Bartlett late of Bethel in the County of Oxford, deceased, and given bonds as the law directs. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately.

ELLERY C. PARK, Bethel, Maine.
February 21, 1922 3-2-21

NOTICE

The subscriber hereby gives notice that he has been duly appointed executor of the last will and testament of Mary J. Bartlett late of Greenwood in the County of Oxford, deceased, and given bonds as the law directs. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately.

ELLERY C. PARK, Bethel, Maine.
February 21, 1922 3-2-21

NOTICE

The subscriber hereby gives notice that she has been duly appointed executrix of the last will and testament of Marie W. Pike late of Bethel in the County of Oxford, deceased, without bond. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately.

MARY A. DIX, West Newton, Mass.
February 21, 1922 3-2-21

POOR PLACE TO HIDE MONEY

French Peasant Now Convinced That Shotgun Is Unreliable as a Bank of Deposit.

The ingenuity of French peasants in hiding money has surpassed itself in the case of a man near Lorient who received a 1,000 franc note and a 500 franc note in payment for produce.

He hid them in the muzzle of his double-barreled shotgun, believing that this would be the last place thieves would search for money.

He made a mistake, however, in not taking his wife into the secret. A neighbor called a few days later, in the absence of the man of the house, and asked for the loan of the gun to get a hare.

The hare escaped and when the peasant came in that evening his wife remarked that the neighbor must be a very bad shot.

"Why?" the peasant asked, "Because he used both charges of your gun on a hare without hitting it."

"My shotgun?" inquired the peasant with a gasp, at the same time making for the corner where the weapon hung.

The civil court of the department of Morbihan will have to decide the delicate point of law whether the neighbor is responsible for the loss of the 1,500 francs.

THE COTTAGE GARDENER

ENRICHED SOIL WILL PRODUCE GOOD CROPS



Well Fertilized Plot of Ground, With Reasonable Attention, is Sure to Give Satisfaction to the Grower Who Will Keep the Weeds Out and Provide Sufficient Amount of Moisture.

RICH SOIL SURE TO GET RESULTS

Danger in Use of Too Much Commercial Fertilizer; May Injure the Plants.

AS TOP OR SIDE DRESSING

May Be Mixed With Soil Along Rows During the Period of Growth—Mixtures Containing Much Nitrogen Are Favored.

A limited quantity of high grade commercial fertilizer can be used to advantage on garden soils even where a considerable supply of barnyard manure have been applied. Commercial fertilizers act quickly and can be used to special advantage where it is desired to mature crops in a short period of time.

The best results can be obtained by the use of fertilizer on land that is well filled with organic matter. However, fair results may be obtained by the use of fertilizer on land that has not been manured and which is deficient in organic matter, according to the United States Department of Agriculture.

The great danger in the use of commercial fertilizers is that too large quantities may be applied and cause injury to the plants. It must be borne in mind that commercial fertilizers are a very concentrated form of plant food and, therefore, should be used in moderation.

Amount Needed in Garden. Market gardeners frequently use as much as 2,000 pounds of commercial fertilizer on an acre of ground. This would be at the rate of about 4 or 5 pounds to a plot of ground 10 feet in each direction or 100 square feet. Assuming that the average backyard garden is about 30 by 60 feet in size, 50 to 70 pounds of standard, high-grade truckers' fertilizer would be all that would be safe to apply on a garden of those dimensions. Under most conditions 50 pounds will be the maximum amount to use.

Commercial fertilizers are usually put up in sacks containing 100, 167 or 200 pounds, and a good plan would be for two or more gardeners to join together in buying fertilizer.

Methods of Application. There are two or three methods of applying commercial fertilizers. The first and most common is by scattering the fertilizer broadcast over the land after it has been plowed and harrowed, then giving the soil a second and even a third harrowing to mix the fertilizer with it thoroughly. Another method is to apply the fertilizer underneath the rows, the plan being to open the furrows, scatter in the fertilizer, then, by means of a single-shovel plow or wheel hoe, thoroughly mix the fertilizer with the soil in the bottom of the furrow. The surface soil is then returned and no seeds are planted for a few days until the fertilizer becomes thoroughly incorporated with the soil.

The third method of applying commercial fertilizers is to use them as a top or side dressing along the rows of plants during the period of growth. Nitrate of soda and fertilizer mixtures containing a considerable percentage of nitrogen are generally used for this purpose. When using fertilizer as a side dressing care should be taken that it is not applied too near the base of the plants, but at a little distance from the row, and then it should be cultivated into the upper 2 or 3 inches of the soil.

so that the small feeder roots of plants will gradually reach it.

Elements in Fertilizers. The three main elements of plant food contained in commercial fertilizers are phosphoric acid, nitrogen, and potash. Nitrogen has the effect of stimulating the leaf growth, and phosphoric acid and potash have a tendency to increase root growth and to mature the seeds of the plants. Root crops and potatoes require a reasonable amount of potash. Corn, beans, and others of the garden crops, which are grown for their pods or seeds, want a sufficient supply of phosphoric acid, while lettuce, celery, eggplant, and others of the salad or leaf crops require plenty of nitrogen. The safest plan, however, is to apply an all-round or complete fertilizer having approximately 8 per cent phosphoric acid, 4 or 5 per cent nitrogen, and 2 or 3 per cent potash on land that is to be devoted to general garden crops.

RICH, SANDY LOAM FOR BEETS

Seed Should Be Sown About Time Last Frosts Are Due; Ready for Use in Few Weeks.

Garden beets may be grown in any good soil, but thrive best on rich, sandy loam. The seed can be sown about the time the last frosts are due, and the young beets will be ready for use in 4 to 6 weeks.

Later plantings will give a succession and provide beets for winter storage. The seed should be sown in a drill with about 8 or 10 seed balls to the foot. It should be borne in mind that each seed ball contains from

1 to 6 seeds, and that the beets will require considerable thinning. The young beets that are pulled out in thinning may be used as greens during the early spring. Where the beets are to be given hand cultivation entirely, the rows may be placed as closely as 12 to 14 inches apart and the plants should be thinned to 2 to 3 inches in the row. —United States Department of Agriculture.

DRAINAGE IS IMPORTANT
Garden land inclined to be wet should be thoroughly drained before crops are planted upon it. If tile drains or open ditches cannot be provided, the next best thing is to plant the crops on slight ridges, so as to get their roots above the water table in the soil.

BOY SCOUTS

(Conducted by National Council of the Boy Scouts of America.)

SEA CAMP AT MARION, MASS.

In the little town of Marion, Mass., by the untroubled waters of Sippican harbor, is a sea camp for the Boy Scouts of America. Here under the patronage of old seafaring skippers, boys are taught the tricks of the trade of sailing and seamanship. From the rudiments of knot-tying, splicing, rowing and the kindred subjects that a good sailorman must know, they are brought through an exhaustive training for the sailing and the trials that await them outside the snug little Sippican harbor in the wide expanse of the blue waters of Buzzards bay.

Through the timely aid of William H. Todd of the Todd Shipbuilding corporation and the kindness of the Taber Nautical academy, in turning over their entire school to Chief Sea Scout James A. Wilder for a summer camp, dreams became realities.

The "William H. Todd" is the first of a series of camps conducted by the sea scouts. Sea scouting is a nationwide scheme, and the camp itself embraces boys from as far south as Texas, west to Chicago and north to Maine. In following summers camps will be located at other points in the United States, thus providing the same training for boys in other localities.

The high spots of the training are life-saving, under the distinguished leadership of Commodore W. E. Longfellow, rowing and sailing, under vouchered-for leadership.

The second program is the official older boy program of the Boy Scouts of America; a scout must be at least fifteen years old before joining. It is a club run like a ship, involving strict discipline and immediate obedience—sea ceremonies and general snappy work; for the perils of the sea become greatly intensified if the crew fails to respect and properly obey their officers. The boy scout, when he joins a seacraft ship, enters into a line of work which is divided into five stages: The sloop class, for apprentices, schooner class for ordinary sea scouts, barkentine class for able sea scouts, bark class for extra sea scouts, and lastly, the ship class for those who have reached the top.

Trading at Brighton was fairly active and under fair prospects and demand, prices were generally steady with few good and medium steers and oxen selling at 4.50-6.00, cows and heifers 3.00-5.25, canners and butchers 1.00-1.50 per 100 lb. Live calves were steady with good light lots going at 10.00-12.00 per 100 lbs., while the few hogs on sale met with a ready outlet at 11.00-12.00 per 100 lb. Live calves were steady with good light lots going at 10.00-12.00 per 100 lbs., while the few hogs on sale met with a ready outlet at 11.00-12.00 per 100 lb. Live calves were steady with good light lots going at 10.00-12.00 per 100 lbs., while the few hogs on sale met with a ready outlet at 11.00-12.00 per 100 lb.

BRIGHTON LIVESTOCK AND BOSTON DRESSED MEAT MARKET REVIEW
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A majority of stock in three Portland, Me., banks has been obtained by a group of men, including J. Sumner Draper of Boston. Control of the Casco Mercantile Trust Company, and the United Safe Deposit and Trust Co. and the Portland National Bank is expected to change hands, although not until annual meetings a year hence.

Chief A. M. G. Soule of the division of inspection, Department of Agriculture, has received reports from the crusade in Maine by inspectors from his department and Federal agents against the so-called "herbivores," an alleged medicine sold up in Manchester, N. H. More than 125,000 tablets have been seized and will be destroyed, the report said.

The remarkable escape from death of a registered boar was a feature of the fire which destroyed the large cow barn, horse barn and double farm house at Valley Farm located on Holiston Hill, Ashland, Mass. The boar, which weighed between 700 and 800 pounds, burrowed under the manure pile beneath the horse barn and was found alive and unscathed.

Emil Lakso, financial secretary of the Fitchburg, Mass., branch of the Amalgamated Textile Workers, announces that the membership has increased from 300 to 500 and that as soon as organization work is completed among the Parkhill Manufacturing Company's employees and at other mills a demand for the restoration of the 20 per cent wage cut will be made.

Gov. Channing H. Cox of Massachusetts became a tenderfoot Boy Scout in the executive chamber of the State House, when he held up the three fingers of his right hand and solemnly bound himself to the three divisions of the Scout oath, "to do my duty to God and my country and to obey the Scout law, to help other people at all times, and to keep myself physically strong, mentally awake, and morally straight."

Ice Barrier Caused Falls. Niagara Falls came into existence because ice in past ages closed the ancient outlet of Lake Erie. The lake overflowed along a new course, which caused it to tumble over a cliff.

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BOY SCOUTS COULD FIND THEM.
At the big state fair in Yakima, Wash., the authorities discovered the very first day that it was harder to find a doctor when wanted than to locate the proverbial needle in a hay stack. Accordingly, the second day, they were "prepared." Every doctor entering the grounds was asked to register and indicate his probable whereabouts in the grounds from time to time. Then when an accident or emergency occurred the boy scouts paged the doctors and found them, too.

BOSTON MARKET REVIEW

Week Ending March 10, 1922
(Prepared by U. S. Bureau of Markets and Crop Estimates)

DAIRY AND POULTRY PRODUCTS

The poultry market has furnished the only excitement during the past week, and this is about over for the present. Live fowl have been short for a considerable period, and the active demand by Jewish traders this week forced a very sharp advance, prices jumping from 30-32c up to 38-40c, but selling back to 34-35c. Very few chickens have been available and these peddled out at varying figures as to quality. Dressed poultry likewise gained a little, fowl advancing 33-35c, chickens bringing from 32c and snags up to 42c for capons. Broilers rose well around 25c. Egg prices continued their decline until western fresh were down to 22c and nearby to 23c, but the low retail prices evidently stimulated demand and the market has recovered about 2c, westerns bringing 24-26c and nearby going up to 32c. The season of heaviest production is nearly at hand and dealers are starting to get supplies ready to put into cold storage which accounts for some of the advance. Cheese has advanced slightly with the better demand and higher supplies, fresh goods bringing up to 2 1/2c and the cured lots went up to 2 1/4c. Butter values have been tending upward lately and the past few days has been no advance of 1/2c, fresh northern in tubs selling easily at 30c, prints at 42-43c and western fresh brought 32-37c.

FRUITS AND VEGETABLES

Good volume of trading with prices generally steady to higher except for celery and tomatoes, which are in liberal supply and lower. Apples steady, No. 1 Maine Baldwin selling 7.50-8.00 and Ben Davis 5.50-6.00 a bbl. First California nectarines of the season arrived this week and brought 24.00-40.00 a box, bunches. Cabbage in liberal supply and dull, Florida 100 lb. crates bringing 2.25-2.50 and 12 1/2 lb. bunches 20c-1.10. California cauliflower steady at 1.50-2.50 a crate according to quality. Florida celery lower at 3.00-3.50 a crate for the best quality. Norfolk kale firm at 2.00 a bbl. Native hothouse lettuce active and 50c higher at 1.75-2.00 a box. California iceberg lettuce bringing 5.00-6.50 a crate, 1.50-2.00 per 100 lb. pack. Tomatoes steady at 1.25-2.00 per 100 lb. pack. Florida oranges active and higher at 6.00-7.00 a box. Maine Green Mountain potatoes steady at 1.50-2.00 per 100 lb. pack. Domestic corn in good demand at 2.50-2.55 a bushel. Native squash higher at 4.50-5.00 a bbl. Florida tomatoes lower at 2.00-2.50 a crate. Native hothouse vegetables selling at the following prices, a box: best greens 1.00-1.25, cucumbers 5.00-12.00, radishes 2.00-3.25. Hothouse rhubarb selling at 15-20c lb. Carrots lower and other root crops steady at the following prices, per bushel: beets 1.00-1.25, carrots and parsnips 1.25-1.50, turnips 1.50-1.60.

BRIGHTON LIVESTOCK AND BOSTON DRESSED MEAT MARKET REVIEW

Trading at Brighton was fairly active and under fair prospects and demand, prices were generally steady with few good and medium steers and oxen selling at 4.50-6.00, cows and heifers 3.00-5.25, canners and butchers 1.00-1.50 per 100 lb. Live calves were steady with good light lots going at 10.00-12.00 per 100 lbs., while the few hogs on sale met with a ready outlet at 11.00-12.00 per 100 lb. Live calves were steady with good light lots going at 10.00-12.00 per 100 lbs., while the few hogs on sale met with a ready outlet at 11.00-12.00 per 100 lb. Live calves were steady with good light lots going at 10.00-12.00 per 100 lbs., while the few hogs on sale met with a ready outlet at 11.00-12.00 per 100 lb.

A majority of stock in three Portland, Me., banks has been obtained by a group of men, including J. Sumner Draper of Boston. Control of the Casco Mercantile Trust Company, and the United Safe Deposit and Trust Co. and the Portland National Bank is expected to change hands, although not until annual meetings a year hence.

Chief A. M. G. Soule of the division of inspection, Department of Agriculture, has received reports from the crusade in Maine by inspectors from his department and Federal agents against the so-called "herbivores," an alleged medicine sold up in Manchester, N. H. More than 125,000 tablets have been seized and will be destroyed, the report said.

The remarkable escape from death of a registered boar was a feature of the fire which destroyed the large cow barn, horse barn and double farm house at Valley Farm located on Holiston Hill, Ashland, Mass. The boar, which weighed between 700 and 800 pounds, burrowed under the manure pile beneath the horse barn and was found alive and unscathed.

Emil Lakso, financial secretary of the Fitchburg, Mass., branch of the Amalgamated Textile Workers, announces that the membership has increased from 300 to 500 and that as soon as organization work is completed among the Parkhill Manufacturing Company's employees and at other mills a demand for the restoration of the 20 per cent wage cut will be made.

Gov. Channing H. Cox of Massachusetts became a tenderfoot Boy Scout in the executive chamber of the State House, when he held up the three fingers of his right hand and solemnly bound himself to the three divisions of the Scout oath, "to do my duty to God and my country and to obey the Scout law, to help other people at all times, and to keep myself physically strong, mentally awake, and morally straight."

Ice Barrier Caused Falls. Niagara Falls came into existence because ice in past ages closed the ancient outlet of Lake Erie. The lake overflowed along a new course, which caused it to tumble over a cliff.

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BOY SCOUTS COULD FIND THEM.
At the big state fair in Yakima, Wash., the authorities discovered the very first day that it was harder to find a doctor when wanted than to locate the proverbial needle in a hay stack. Accordingly, the second day, they were "prepared." Every doctor entering the grounds was asked to register and indicate his probable whereabouts in the grounds from time to time. Then when an accident or emergency occurred the boy scouts paged the doctors and found them, too.

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Garden land inclined to be wet should be thoroughly drained before crops are planted upon it. If tile drains or open ditches cannot be provided, the next best thing is to plant the crops on slight ridges, so as to get their roots above the water table in the soil.

RICH, SANDY LOAM FOR BEETS
Seed Should Be Sown About Time Last Frosts Are Due; Ready for Use in Few Weeks.

Garden beets may be grown in any good soil, but thrive best on rich, sandy loam. The seed can be sown about the time the last frosts are due, and the young beets will be ready for use in 4 to 6 weeks.

Later plantings will give a succession and provide beets for winter storage. The seed should be sown in a drill with about 8 or 10 seed balls to the foot. It should be borne in mind that each seed ball contains from

1 to 6 seeds, and that the beets will require considerable thinning. The young beets that are pulled out in thinning may be used as greens during the early spring. Where the beets are to be given hand cultivation entirely, the rows may be placed as closely as 12 to 14 inches apart and the plants should be thinned to 2 to 3 inches in the row. —United States Department of Agriculture.

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HARRIET and the PIPER

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SYNOPSIS.

CHAPTER I.—Harriet Field, twenty-eight years old and beautiful, is the social secretary of the fashionable Mrs. Isabelle Carter, at "Crownlands," Richard Carter's home, and governess of fifteen-year-old Nina Carter, Ward, twenty-four years old and handsome, fancies himself in love with his mother's attractive secretary, Mrs. Carter's latest "affair" is with young Anthony Pope, and the youth is taking it very seriously.

"Very decent of you, Miss Field," breathed Mrs. Jay, in a voice like that of a horn. "You girls run along now—people will be coming in at any minute. I'm going to take Miss Field to the table. Three hundred people coming!" she confided as Harriet followed her across the lawn, and to the rather quiet corner of the awninged porch where the tea table stood. "I'll leave you here, and you just ask for anything you need."

The matron melted away; Harriet looked after her broad, retreating back indifferently. She would have loaned Harriet any amount of money, the girl reflected, smoldering; she would have shown her genuine friendship and generosity in a crisis. But she would not introduce people to Harriet this afternoon, and in a day or two she would send Harriet a bit of lace, or a dainty waist, as a delicate reminder that the courtesies had been a business one, after all.

Presently the sun came out for Harriet in the arrival of a tall, swiftly moving, dark-eyed woman some ten years older than she was herself; Mary Putnam, one of the real friends the girl had gained in the last four years. Young Mrs. Putnam, Harriet used to think, with a little natural jealousy under her admiration, had everything. She was not pretty, but hers was a distinguished appearance, and a lovely face; she had the self-possession of a woman whose whole life has been given to the social arts; she had a clever, kindly, silent husband who adored her; her home, her garden, her clubs and her charities, and finally she had her nursery, where Billy and Betty were rioting through an ideal childhood.

"Harriet—your dear child!" said the rich and pleased voice, as Mary's fine hand crossed the tea table for a welcoming touch. "But how nice to find you here! I've just been trying to think how long it is since I've seen you."

"Not since the day you lunched with Mrs. Carter, and that was almost two weeks ago."

Mrs. Putnam settled herself in the neighboring chair.

"I'm chattering little Lettice Graham for a week," she began, in the delightful voice upon which Harriet had modeled her own. "But Lettice is trying her little arts upon Ward Carter. Dear boy, that!"

"Ward? He is a dear!" Harriet said, innocently.

"No blushing!" Mary Putnam asked, with a smiling look. The color came into Harriet's lovely face, and the smoky blue eyes widened innocently.

"Blushing—for Ward?" she asked.

Mrs. Putnam stirred her tea thoughtfully.

"I didn't know," she said. "You're young, and you know him well, and you're—well, you have appearance, as it were! Ward has fine stuff in him, and also, I think, he is beginning to ere. It would be an engagement that would please the Carters, I imagine."

The word engagement brought a filmy vision before Harriet's eyes, born of the fragrance and sunshine of the summer. She saw a ring, laughter and congratulations, dinner parties and receptions, shopping in glittering Fifth avenue.

"A boy in Ward's position may do much worse than marry a lovely and sensible woman," Mrs. Putnam said. "Well, it just occurred to me. It is your affair, of course. But looking back one sees, how much just the well, the lack of a tiny push has meant in one's life!"

"And this is the push?" Harriet said, her heart full of the confusion and happiness that this unusual mood of confidence and affection on Mary Putnam's part had brought her.

"Perhaps!" The smooth, cool hand touched hers for a second before Mrs. Putnam went upon her gracious way. Harriet hardly heard the bustle and confusion about her for a few minutes. She sat musing, with her splendid eyes fixed upon some point invisible to the joyous group about her.

To Nina, meanwhile, had come the most extraordinary hour of her life. She had sauntered to a green bench, under great maples, with Lettice Graham and Harry Trout and Anna Poett. And Joshua Brewster had come for Anna, and they had sauntered away, with that mysterious ease with which other girls seemed to manage young men. And then Harry and Lettice had in some manner communicated with each other, for Lettice had jumped up suddenly, saying: "Nina, will you excuse us? We'll be back directly, and then they had wandered off

in the direction of the river, giggling as they went. Nina had smiled gallantly in farewell, but her feelings were deeply hurt. She hated to sit on here, visibly alone, and yet there was small object in going back to the absorbed groups nearer the house.

Then came the miracle. For as she uncomfortably waited, Ward's friend, the queer man with the black eyes and thick hair, suddenly took the seat beside her. Nina's heart gave a plunge for if she was ill at ease with "kiddie" like Harry and Joshua, how much less could she manage a conversation with the lion of the hour! But Royal Blondin needed no help from Nina.

"You're little Miss Carter, aren't you?" he said. "We were introduced, back there, but there were too many young men around you then for me to get a word in! Nice boys, all of them! But not worth your while!"

Nina murmured a confidence. "What did you say?" Blondin said. "But come," he added, frankly, "you're not afraid of me, are you? My dear little girl, I'm old enough to be your father! Look up—I want to see those eyes. That's better. Now, that's more friendly. Tell me what you said!"

"I said—that mother expected me to—"

"Oh, to like the boys. Mother expects it? Of course she does! And some day she'll expect to dress you in white, and bid us all to come and dance at the wedding! But in the meantime, Mother mustn't blame someone who has just a little more discernment than—well, young Brewster, for example, for seeing that her tame dove is really a wild little seagull starving for the sea. And you don't want to fall in love with one of these lads for a year or two, anyway?"

"Oh, my, no!" Nina felt the expression inadequate, but her breath had been taken away. The man had turned about a little, his eyes were all for her, and his arm, laid carelessly along the back of the green bench, almost touched the white ruffles. They were in full sight of the house, too, and if Lettice or Anna came back, they would see Nina in deep and instant conversation with the man that all the older women were so mad about—

"You don't. But—what?" He bent his head.

"I said, but I don't know how you know it!" Nina repeated, looking down in her overwhelming self-consciousness, but with a smile of utter happiness and excitement.

A second later she looked up in some alarm. He was silent—she had somehow said the awkward thing again! Nina's heart fluttered nervously.

But what she saw reassured her. Royal Blondin had squared himself about, and had folded his arms, and was staring darkly into space.

"How I knew it!" he said in a half-whisper, as if to himself, after a full half-minute of silence that thrilled Nina to the soul. "Child, I don't know! Some day you and I will read books together—wonderful books! And then perhaps we will begin to understand the cosmic secret—why your soul reaches out to mine—why I not only want to know you better, but why it is my solemn obligation to take the exquisite thing you coming into my life may mean to us both!"

You and I have somehow found each other in all this wilderness of lies and affections, and we're going to be friends, aren't we?"

"I—hope we are!" Nina said, clearing her throat, with a bashful laugh.

"You know we are!" Royal Blondin amended. And in a musing tone he added: "I'm afraid I was a little bitter a few hours ago. And then I saw you, just an honest, brave, bewildered little girl, wondering why the deuce they all make such a fuss about nothing—clothes and bridge parties and dinners—"

"They never say anything worth while!" Nina said, with daring. There was exquisite homage in the dropped, listening head, the eyes that smiled so close to her own. "But if I tell Mother that, she thinks I'm crazy!"

She added, lapsing into the school verbiage against a desperate effort to sustain in the conversation at his level.

"Because you're a little natural rebel," interpreted the man, smilingly.

"Those are of yours say that. And it doesn't make for happiness, little girl," he warned her.

Nina narrowed her eyes, and stared into the green garden. She was not wearing her glasses today, and hers were fine eyes, albeit a trifle prominent, and with a somewhat strained expression.

"Oh, I know that!" she said. "I like the girls and boys—truly I do, and I am popular with them all, I know that! But 'cases!' said Nina with scorn.

"Dear Heaven!" Royal said under his breath. "No—no—that's not for you!" he murmured. "And yet—"

and he turned upon her a look that Nina was to remember with a thrill in the waking hours of the summer night—

—and yet, it is kindness to wake you up, child!" he mused. "Is it right to show you the full beauty of that questing coil of yours?"

It was said as if to himself, as if he thought aloud. But Nina guessed it.

"I often think," she said, truthfully, "that if people knew what I was thinking, they'd go crazy! I manage to keep the appearance of doing exactly what the others do, and I laugh and flirt just as if that was the only thing in life! If people want to think I am a butterfly, why, let them think so! My friend Miss Hawkes says that I have two natures—but I don't know about that!"

She looked up at him to find his eyes fixed steadily upon her, and flushed happily, with a fast-beating heart.



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"With one of those natures I have nothing to do," Royal said. "But the other I claim as my friend. Come, how about it? Are we going to be friends? I am old enough to be your father, you know; you may tell Mother that it is perfectly safe. Will you give me your hand on it—and your eyes? Good girl! And now I'll take you back to be scolded for running away from your friends for so long. I'm dining with Mother tomorrow. Shall I see you?"

"Oh, yes—if Mother lets me come down!" stuttered Nina. "But, no—we're to be at Granny's," she remembered.

"Soon, then!" He left her in the cireling group, but all the world saw him kiss her hand. Nina yandered about in a daze of pleasure and satisfaction for another half-hour, paying attentions to Mother's pious friends with a sparkle and charm that amazed them. Presently Ward and the demure Amy Hawkes found her; the car was waiting. Miss Field, Ward said, was no longer at the tea table; she had left a message to the effect that she was walking home and would be there as soon as they were.

He asked Amy and Nina, whose irrepressible gossip and giggling met with only silence and scowls from his superior attitude, they knew why Miss Harriet had decided to walk. They stared at each other innocently, on the brink of fresh laughter. No; they hadn't the least idea.

CHAPTER III.

Royal Blondin went straight from Nina to the tea table, which was almost deserted now. Harriet saw him coming, and she knew what hour had come. She stood up as he reached her, and they measured each other narrowly, with unsmiling eyes.

There was reason for her patience today, and for the faint violet shadows about her beautiful eyes. Harriet had lain awake deep into the night, tossing and feverish. She had always thought that he must come back; for years the fear had haunted her at every street crossing, at every ring of Linda's doorknob. At first it had been but a shivering apprehension of his claims, an anticipation of what he might expect or want from her. Then came a sadder time, when she told herself that she was an independent human being as well as he, that she might meet his argument with argument, and his threat with threat.

But for the past year or two her lessening thoughts of him had been new form. Harriet had hoped that when they met again she might be in a position to punish Royal Blondin, to look down at him from heights that even his audacity might not scale.

That time, she told herself in the fever of the night, had not yet come. Her pitiful achievements, her beauty, her French and Spanish, her sober book reading, and her little affections of fine lines and careful speech, all seemed to crumble to nothing. She seemed again to be the furious, helpless, seventeen-year-old Harriet of the Watertown days, her armor ineffectual against that suave and self-confident presence.

She had forced herself to unbind the wrappings, to look at the old wound. She had gone in spirit to that old, shabby parlor to which Linda and Fred had carried Josephine's crib late every night, and where sheet music had cascaded from the upright piano. She saw, with the young husband and wife, a fiery, tumble-head girl of fifteen or sixteen, who helped with her sister's cooking and housework, who adored the baby, who planned a future on the stage, or as a great painter, as a great writer—the means mattered not so much that the end was fame and wealth and happiness for Harriet.

Fred had brought Royal Blondin in to supper one night, and Royal had laughed with the others at the spirited little waitress who delivered herself of tremendous decisions while she came and went with plates, and forgot to take off her checked blue apron when she finally slipped into her place.

The man had been a derelict then, as now. But he was nine years older than Harriet Field. He had had the same delightful voice, the same penetrating eyes. He had brought poetry, coarse, not, into the world little parlor of the Watertown apartment; he had

those soaring ambitions. She felt again those kisses that had waked the little girl heart into passionate womanhood; she shut her eyes and pressed her hand tight against them. So young—so happy—so confident—plunging headlong into that searing blackness.

And now Royal Blondin was back again, and she was not ready for him. She could not score now. But he could hurt her irreparably if he would. Isabelle was an indifferent mother, and an inerrable flirt, but at the first word, at the first hint—ah, there would be no arguing, no weighing of the old blame and responsibility! If there was the faintest cloud of doubt, that would be enough!

Harriet had shaken back her mane of hair, had hammered furious fists together up on the dark balcony. It wasn't fair—it wasn't fair—just now, when she was so secure and happy! She had flung her arms across the railing, and had wept desperate and angry tears into the silken and golden tangle that shone dully in the starlight.

She did not refuse him her hand when he came to the tea table, or her eyes, and there was friendliness, or the semblance of it, in the voice with which she said his name. That he was waiting, perhaps as fearfully as she, for his cue, was evidenced by the quick relief with which he echoed the old familiarity.

"Harriet! I find you again. I've been waiting all this time to find you! I'd heard Ward speak of 'Miss Field,' of course! But it never meant you to me. I've been thinking of you all night!"

"I've been thinking, too," she said, simply.

"It's after six," Blondin said with a glance about. "We can't talk here. Can you get away? Can we go somewhere?"

Without another word she deserted her seat, pinned on her hat, and picked up her gloves.

"There's a very quiet back road straight down to Crownlands," she said, considering. "We might walk."

"Anything!" he assented, briefly.

Guided by Harriet, who was familiar with the place, they slipped through the hallway, and out a side door. They had no sooner gained silence and solitude than the man began deliberately:

"Harriet, I have not thought of anything else since I came upon you yesterday, after all these years. I want you to tell me that you—aren't angry with me. You know—you knew how desperately I tried to find you, Harriet! What a hell I went through!"

If she had steeled herself against the possibility of his shaking her, she failed herself now. It was with an involuntary and bitter little laugh that she said:

"You had no monopoly of that, Roy."

"But you run away from me!" he accused her. "When I went to find you, they told me the Davenports had moved away. What you believe that I felt terrible—that I walked the streets, Harriet, praying—praying—that I might catch a glimpse of you. It was the uppermost thought for years—how many years? Seven?"

"More than eight," she corrected, in a somewhat lifeless voice. "I was eighteen. My one thought, my one hope, when I last saw you, in Linda's house, was that I would never see you again! But I'm glad to hear you say this, Roy," she added, in a gentler tone. "I'm glad you—felt sorry. Our going away was a mere chance. Fred Davenport was offered a position on a Brooklyn paper, and we all moved from Watertown to Brooklyn. I was grateful for it; I only wanted to disappear! Linda stood by me, her children saved my life. It was a nursery-maid for a year or two—I never saw anybody or went anywhere! I look back," Harriet said, talking more to herself than to him, and walking swiftly along in the golden sunset that streamed across the old back road, "and I wonder I didn't go stark, staring mad!"

"Don't think about it," he urged, with concern.

"No! I'll not think about it. Royal, don't think that all my feeling was for myself. I thought of you, too. I missed you. Truly, I missed what you had given my life!"

A dark flush came to the man's face, and when he spoke it was with an honest shame and gratitude in his voice that would have surprised the woman who had only known him in his later years.

"You are generous, Harriet," he said. "You were always the most generous girl in the world!"

More stirred than she wished to show herself, Harriet walked on, and there was a silence.

"Linda and Fred made it hard for you?" he asked.

"Oh, no! They were angels. But of course in their eyes, and mine, too—I was marked!"

Silence. Royal Blondin gave her a glance full of distress and compunction. But he did not speak, and it was Harriet who ended the pause.

"Well, that's what a little girl of eighteen may do with her life!" she said. "I have been a fool—I have made a wreck of mine!"

"You are the most beautiful woman in the world," Royal Blondin said, steadily. "You are established here, they all adore you! Why do you say that your life is a wreck?"

"I am the daughter of Professor Field," said Harriet, "and at twenty-seven I am the paid companion of Mrs. Richard Carter's daughter! Oh, well—I was happy enough to have the opportunity. What of yourself? Where have you been?"

But he was not quite ready to drop the personal note.

"Harriet, now that we have met, we'll be friends? My life now is among these people; you'll not be sorry if we occasionally meet?"

"In this casual way—no, we can stand that!" she agreed. The fears of the night rose like mist, melted away. It was bad enough, but it was not what her inflamed and fantastic apprehension had made it. He was no revengeful villain, after all. He did not mean to harm her.

"I've been everywhere," he said, answering her question. "I made two trips to China from San Francisco. I was interested in Chinese antiques. Then I went into a Persian rug thing, with a dealer. We handled rugs; I went all over the Union. After that, four years ago, I went to Persia and India, and met some English people, and went with them to London. Then I came back here, as a sort of press agent to a Swami who wanted to be introduced in America, and after he left I rather took up his work, Yogi and interpretive reading, 'Chitra' and 'Shlo'—you don't know them?"

She shook her head, sufficiently at ease now even to smile in faint derision.

"And what's the future in it, Roy?" Now that the black dread was laid, she could almost like him.

"The present is extremely profitable," he said dryly, "and I suppose there might be—well, say a marriage in it, some day—"

"A rich widow?" Harriet suggested, simply.

"Or a little girl with a fortune, like this little Carter girl," he added, lightly.

Harriet gave him a swift look.

"Don't talk nonsense! Nina's only a child!"

"She's almost eighteen, isn't she?"

"The girl walked swiftly on for a full minute.

"You weren't—quite—a child at eighteen," he reminded her.

The color flooded her transparent dusky skin.

"That's—exactly—what I was!" she said dryly. "But talk to Nina, if you don't believe me! Everything that is

school-girl and romantic and undeveloped, is Nina. She is absolutely inexperienced; she's what I called her, a child. It's preposterous!"

"I suppose," the man drawled, "that on a question for the young lady, and her parents, and myself to decide."

Harriet bit her lip. This was utterly unexpected. Into her calculations, up to this point, she had taken only Royal Blondin and herself. If his words covered any truth, then the matter did not stop there. Nina was involved, and with Nina, Ward and Nina's father and Isabelle—

The complications were endless; her heart sickened before them. And yet, the conviction that Royal dared not betray her had been flooding Harriet's heart with exquisite reassurances during this past half hour. She was safe; her life at Crownlands took on a new and wonderful beauty with that knowledge. And if she was fit to continue there, Nina's companion, Isabelle's confident, guide and judge for the whole household, could she with any logic warn them against this man?

He had her trapped, and she saw it. To threaten his standing was to wreck her own.

Her eyes looked beyond him darkly; the girl was young and innocent, greedy for flattery, eager to live. What chance had little Nina Carter against charm like his—experience like his?

"I may never be asked to the house after tomorrow night," said Blondin. "She won't be the beginning and end of it. All I ask is that if I am made welcome here, on my own merits, you won't interfere! The mere fact that you're living here doesn't mean that you have the moral responsibility of the family on your shoulders, does it?"

"No," Harriet admitted, in a troubled tone.

"Of course not! You live your life, and I mine. Is there anything wrong about that?"

"You know you would never look at that girl except for her money, Roy!" she burst out.

"Nor would anyone else!" he amended, suavely.

Harriet gave a distressed laugh. "Come! You and I never saw each other until this week," Blondin urged. "That's the whole story."

Before she answered, the girl looked beyond him at the splendid stables and lawns of Crownlands. It never lost its charm for her, her castle of dreams; she had longed to be part of just such a household all her life! Now she actually was part of it, and—

if what Mary Putnam had hinted was true, if her own fleeting suspicion only a few evenings ago was true; then she might some day really belong to Crownlands, in good earnest!

Harriet made her choice.

"Very well," she said, briefly. "I understand you. I turn in here. Good-night!"

"Just a second!" he said, detaining her. "You won't hurt me with any of them, Ward or the girl, or the father?"

The girl's lips curled with distaste. "No," she said tonelessly.

In another second she was gone. He saw the slender figure, in its green gown, disappear at a turning of the ivied wall. She paused for no backward glance of farewell. But Royal Blondin was satisfied.

CHAPTER IV.

Again Harriet fled through the quiet house as if pursued by furies, and again reached her room with white cheeks and a fast-beating heart. Nina was not there. She crossed to the window, and stood there with her hands clasped on her chest, and her breath coming and going stormily.

"Oh, he's clever!" she whispered, half aloud. "He's clever! He never made a threat of any kind! He knew that he had me—he knew that he had me just where he wanted me! And what he does here, in making his way with this family, doesn't concern me! Nina is old enough to decide for herself!"

Nina had been experiencing what were among the pleasantest hours of her life. A school friend, Amy Hawkes, who was romance personified, under a plain and demure exterior, had observed Nina's long conversation with Royal Blondin, and had found an arch allusion to it so well received by Nina that she had followed up that line of conversation, ever since.

Amy was to sleep with Nina, and Harriet realized, as she superintended their suttored dressing, that she, Harriet, would be obliged to go to their door five times, between eleven and one o'clock that night, and tell them that they must stop talking.

There was a modest knock at the door, and Rosa came in with a box. She smiled, and put it on Harriet's desk.

"For me?" the girl said, smiling in answer, and with some surprise. Rosa nodded, and went her way, and Harriet went to the box. It was not large, a florist's box of dark green cardboard; Harriet untied the raffia string, and investigated the mass of silks and tissue paper. Inside was an orchid. She opened the accompanying envelope, and found Ward's card. On the back he had written, "Just a little worried because he's afraid you're cross at him!"

Harriet stood perfectly still, the orchid in one hand, the card crushed in the other. Ward Carter had sent orchids, no doubt, to other girls, but Harriet Carter had never had an orchid before from a man.

She put the card into her little desk, and the orchid into a slender crystal vase. Then she went back to advise Amy and Nina as to gold beads and the arrangement of hair. But a little later, when she was in the big house-keeper's pantry, where several maids were busy with last-minute manipulations of olives and ice and grapefruit, Ward came out and found her, soberly busy in her old checked silk.

"Why didn't you wear it?"

"Wear it—you had, extravagant child! I'll wear it to town tomorrow!"

"No; but—" he snuck his tone to one of enjoyable confidences—"but were you mad at me? You looked so glum at breakfast!"

"Well, you had nothing to do with it!" she assured him, in her big sisterly voice. "And it was the first orchid I ever had, and I loved you for it!"

It was with something like pain and impatience in his tone that Ward said gruffly:

"Yes, you do! You like me about as much as you like Nina or Granny!"

"I like you—ah! just a little better than I do Granny!" Harriet confided. "Don't spoil your dinner with olives, Ward! Don't muss that—there's a dear! Dinner's announced, by the way. It's quarter past eight."

"I'm going!" he grumbled, discontentedly.

"At any rate, I love the orchid!" Harriet said, soothingly. He was laughing, too, as he disappeared, but something in his face was vaguely troubling to her none the less, and she remembered it now and then with a little compunction during her quiet evening of reading. Well, she would see Linda on Saturday, and have Sunday with her and the children, and that meant always a complete change and a shifted viewpoint, even when, as frequently happened, Linda took the older-sisterly privilege of scolding.

Continued next week.

"Ballistic Wind." The "ballistic wind" is a fictitious wind assumed in computing the flight of projectiles to express the total effect of the winds that actually occur. Its use was introduced during the World War.

Yes, We Remember. Nearly always when you hear the rusty wall of a boy with energy plus filling the air, you can look in at the window and find a woman's hand at the seat of his trouble.—The Live Wire.



"A Rich Widow?" Harriet Suggested, Simply.

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12-5-14

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NOTICE

Rowena F. Goodwin, Chiropractor, will be at Maple Inn, Monday and Friday of each week from 6 to 8 P. M.

HAY FOR SALE—60 tons pressed hay on the Chapman farm in Mayville. H. H. HASTINGS. 3-2-31

Two old people wish to purchase a farm to retire to. About 30 acres, some woodland, high ground, within two miles of railroad town. Good house, reasonable price. Address Stanton, care of Citizen. 3-9-21

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DRESSMAKING

A dressmaking shop will be opened on Main Street by Miss Ruth Kendall near the first of April. 2-23-4-p

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THURSDAY, MARCH 16, 1922.

WEST BETHEL

There are some big loads of birch being hauled into the mill yard at this place. The latest reports give Thomas Westloigh credit for hauling 4 cord and 3 feet and John Westloigh 4 cords. These loads were hauled with one pair of horses. Who's next?

Ervin Hutchinson and Leland Mills have finished work at the mill.

Alben Mason is able to be out after being ill for several weeks.

Herman Bennett has been confined to the house with the flu.

Mrs. Nettie Mason has been ill, but is on the gain now.

C. M. Bennett opened up his garage Monday morning. He has a number of autos in to overhaul. Albert Bennett of Gilead is working for him.

E. L. Mason of Milford, N. H., is the guest of his brothers, A. H. and George Mason.

Mrs. Carrie Richter and son, Lionel, have finished work for Mrs. Nahum Scribner and have employment with Mrs. J. C. Richardson at Gorham, N. H.

Mrs. Dexter Mills and Mrs. W. E. Bartlett were in Gorham, N. H., Friday, the guests of Harry Mills and family. Gordon Mason was a business visitor in Gorham, N. H., recently.

Mrs. Stephen Westloigh called on Mrs. Nettie Mason, Tuesday.

LOOKER'S MILLS

Donald and Lester Tabbata are entertaining their mother, Mrs. E. L. Tabbata, of Auburn.

Mr. and Mrs. Lottie Davis of Newry are guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. L. Swan.

Mr. Hvevson of Norway was a guest at Owen Deemeritt's, Sunday.

Halp King and daughter, Lucille, were guests of relatives in South Paris the week end.

Mrs. Pike of Norway visited last week with Mrs. Lizzie Demond.

Porter Swan is home from Newry.

Herman Cummings and wife of Albany were guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Swan, over the week end.

Beck Band was a guest of relatives in Lewiston, Sunday.

Thelma Farnum and Eleanor Jordan of Bryant's Pond visited Anna Crow, Sunday.

Road the Fat Man's Corner and drive away the blues.

RUMFORD

Messages were received last week by wireless telephone, one that was perfected and erected by Wirt Virginia of this town. Mr. Virgin in company with Harry Hall and A. Bowden were at the home of Mr. Bowden in Strathglass Park, and with the instrument were able to listen in on a musical concert as well as an address.

The Knights of Columbus basketball team have accepted the challenge issued by the American Legion. The first of the series of three games will be played on Thursday of this week at K. of C. Hall.

In an announcement made last week, Bradford Andrews stated that he would be a candidate for the Board of Assessors at the annual meeting of the village corporation. Mr. Andrews is superintendent of the Sulphite Department at the Oxford mill and has been in Rumford for quite a number of years. Stephen Pennell, one of the present assessors of the Rumford Falls Village Corporation, has stated that he will be a candidate for reelection at the annual meetings, which is to be held on Tuesday evening, March 28. Mr. Pennell has served in this capacity for about five years. He has also represented this district as representative to the Legislature.

"Katcha Koo," a musical production which has been successfully staged by different societies and orders throughout the State is to be staged by the local order of Elks, at the Majestic Theatre sometime in April.

Arrangements have been made for the opening of a branch office for the sale of Studebaker cars in the Stephens Block on Canal street. It is understood that Harold Larvey is to be in charge of this local branch.

The announcement of the engagement of Charles Santer, formerly of the firm of Levin and Santer of this town, to a Boston young lady, has been received by friends in town.

The "League," a paper published by the Oxford Employees Welfare Association, made its initial appearance last week. The paper contains news of interest to the members of the League, and is to be published every other week.

Mrs. Theodore Hawley is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Robert Harris, of Belmont, Mass.

Mrs. E. J. Roderick is at the Eye and Ear Infirmary in Portland, where she has had an operation performed for abscess in her head.

Walter E. Stearns, second son of Hon. and Mrs. A. E. Stearns of Penobscot street, has been elected by choice of his class to deliver the closing address at the Class Day Exercises of Bowdoin Commencement, 1922.

William O. Ryall left last week for his home at Makemie Park, Va., to spend a few months relatives. He has been employed for a time by the Rumford Falls Power Company.

Sherwood R. Howard has received his commission as postal clerk in the Rumford Post Office to succeed William T. Hanley.

The Pythian Sisterhood will hold their fair on Thursday afternoon, Mar. 23, in K. of P. Hall. A supper will be served to the public at a very small sum at 6 o'clock. The menu will consist of baked beans, salad and pastry.

In the evening a drill and ball will be held in McManamin Hall. The fair committees are: General Committee, Mrs. Mahel Cummings, Mrs. Bertha Allen; Fancy Work and Baby Table, Mrs. Amelia Schwind; Apron Table, Mrs. Nancy Kerr; Candy Table, Mrs. Harriet Walker; Grab, Mrs. Lottie Withee.

The annual mile box opening of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist church is scheduled to take place on April 12th, when a picnic supper will be enjoyed, and the money in the mile boxes counted.

Walter Hoffs has engaged an expert piano mover from Portland to move his grand piano from his present residence into the residence which he has purchased of Mr. I. W. Greene corner of Franklin street and Rumford avenue.

The next meeting of the American Legion Auxiliary will be held at the home of the vice president, Mrs. Agnes Dorlon, Mar. 21.

On Tuesday, Mar. 21 the Methodist Ladies Aid will hold their regular meeting in the afternoon at the church vestry, after which a supper will be served, when the husband are invited to come as guests. The ladies are to each earn a dollar and tell at this supper how it was earned.

Edward Carroll, who has lived in Rumford for some time past, has accepted a position with Correll Markson Co., in Lewiston, where he has charge of the credit department.

The death of Miss Ruth C. Roberts, daughter of Blanchard C. Roberts, took place last week at her home on Hancock street. She was 20 years of age, and for the past 12 years had been a cripple.

Christabel LaCourse, who was operated upon at the McCarty Hospital for appendicitis, is gaining slowly.

Mrs. W. H. Houle, who for several weeks has been a patient at the McCarty Hospital, recovering from a very serious surgical operation, is making a wonderful recovery, and expects soon to return to her home on Urquhart street.

BALTIMORE WOMAN'S MESSAGE TO MOTHERS

At 829 W. Hayward Ave., lives Mrs. Henry Johnson, who a few weeks ago wrote what may be termed a good message to all mothers. She said: "I have used Dr. True's Elixir for more than ten years and know it is good." She used Dr. True's Elixir, the True Family Laxative and Worm Expeller, to rid her children of worms. There is hardly a child but what needs Dr. True's Elixir, for they all usually have worms when growing up. Mrs. Johnson appreciates what Dr. True's Elixir accomplishes. Your children will be in better health through its use.

Symptoms to watch: Constipation, offensive breath, slow fever, biliousness, pains in stomach, red points on tongue, swollen upper lip, starting during sleep. 40c—60c—\$1.20.

The ladies of the Baptist church cleared about \$80 on the dinner which they gave on town meeting day.

Miss Hazel MacGregor has accepted the position as stenographer at the McCarty Hospital left vacant by Mrs. Ruth Hanley, who leaves soon to make her home in August.

The little son recently born to Mr. and Mrs. Archie Palardo, has been named John Edward.

Rumford night school closed last week with the regular entertainment and social. 104 certificates were awarded to the night school students who completed their course satisfactorily and were present 75% of the evenings. The attendance while not as good as last term, was quite satisfactory, as most of those who left school had very good reasons. All of the courses were carried on by the same teachers as last term with good results.

Miss Frances B. Adams, who has been conducting evangelistic services in town for the past four or five weeks, goes from Rumford to Fairfield to conduct similar services.

The Ladies' Aid and the parish of the Universalist church presented to Mrs. George Gates the other evening, a very beautiful bar pin of twenty-one pearls set in platinum, as a parting gift. Mrs. Gates expects to leave this week to take up her residence in Boston.

The World Wide Guild, a girl's mission band of the Baptist church, will hold a work meeting every other Saturday, the first of these meetings to be held on Saturday, Mar. 18, at the home of Mrs. George Brown on Franklin street. The World Wide Guild holds its program meeting regularly on the last Monday of each month.

Mr. and Mrs. John P. MacGregor and family plan to move the last of this month into the upper apartment of the house owned by them on Knox street.

Mr. MacGregor, who with his family formerly occupied this rent, left town several years ago and was located at Murray, Cape Breton, N. B. Returning to Rumford early this winter they have been staying during the present season with Mrs. MacGregor's mother, Mrs. Charles H. Abbott, at the Abbott home on the Rumford Center road.

Leon Parsons, who is employed as clerk at the office of the Maine Central Roadmaster, has taken rooms at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Burditt on Washington street.

Rumford High School feels indeed jubilant over its recent success in athletic and debates, having won on Friday last at Rumford two to one in their debate with Edward Little High School of Auburn, and at Bath, Rumford's negative team received honors by an unanimous decision. Moreton Abbott of Rumford being the individual speaker of the affirmative and Gerald O'Neill of the negative. Moreton Abbott was considered the best individual speaker. At the Bates Interscholastic Tournament, Rumford High held third position, thus making this team eligible to the Taffa Tournament.

Hon. A. E. Stearns has been appointed by the Selectmen of the Town of Rumford as a member of the Board of Trustees of the Rumford and Mexico Water District to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of Mr. C. B. Osmond, who has been a member of that board since the organization of the district in 1911.

MILTON

The V. L. B. held their regular meeting March 4 with Mrs. J. H. Ackley. The V. L. B. is to have a drama at the Bethel and Milton schoolhouse, Mar. 18. The name of the drama is "Try It On." Ice cream and cake will be on sale.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Session were the guests of his mother, Mrs. J. H. Ackley, Sunday.

Edith Jackson and Clark Jackson and Mrs. J. H. Ackley attended the Auxiliary of the Jackson-Silver Post, No. 68, at Bryant's Pond, Saturday, Mar. 11.

Mrs. Sarah Buck called on her daughter, Mrs. J. H. Ackley, Thursday, Mar. 9.

Ruth Billings is visiting at her brother's, Harry Billings', this week.

Hard Blow Coming.

"How about a shock absorber?" asked the man who was buying a cheap car.

"We can put one on."

"No," said the purchaser. "But I'd like to have one sent to my wife in advance—she expects a lincolne."

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

The following is taken from a speech given by R. U. Delapenha of New York at the session of the National Canners Association held at Louisville, Ky., recently, and is of interest to all people:

"So much has been written on European condition that is more or less of a conflicting nature, that at the very outset of my remarks I would like you to understand that what I am about to say has been the result of personal contact with influential men in England and France, and some in Germany. The conclusions that I have arrived at may not be correct, but I shall give you information that I was able to obtain on a recent European visit.

"As your representative in England, I am able to state that there was no store that my card as an officer of the Association could not open. I was treated with the utmost courtesy, and was met with a frankness when I asked questions, that was somewhat surprising, in view of the natural conservatism of the English people.

"I took over several samples of various fruits and preserves with me, and the largest manufacturers in England, who are now Crosse & Blackwell, Ltd., were most interested in examining these samples in comparison with their own products.

"The economic conditions in England are exceedingly grave. England owes her wealth to her enormous export business, which has been seriously curtailed since the war, for various reasons,—the chief being that the markets to which she exported are overstocked, and are suffering from the same causes as the mother country.

"The conditions in France were somewhat different. The people there are of a different temperament to those in England, but they appear to be living on hopes, and in that particular I may say that there is a very large resemblance to our own people.

"In France you see no money. You see very little in England, for that matter. It is all paper, and I brought back with me here just a little note that can be passed around to you gentlemen to see. That is 50 centimes, and is issued by the Chamber of Commerce of Paris, I think. Now, 50 centimes today is worth about 4 cents. In the old days it was worth 10 cents. When it was issued by the Banque France, but today every 'Chamber of Commerce in France is issuing its own money, and it is being issued in these little pieces of paper, from 25 centimes to 20 francs. Now, here is the remarkable part of this. The money that is issued by the Chamber of Commerce in Paris is not good in Lyons, or the money that is issued by the Lyons Chamber of Commerce is not good in Marseilles, and so on.

"Now, let me go into Germany with you for a moment. There the people are working 24 hours a day. Nobody resisting the sacrifice, and they are working with an efficiency that only can be seen in Germany, to do things to the utmost limit of their capacity. They are building new homes, they are making additions to their factories. Men who had large mortgages on their factories have paid them with depreciated currency, and they are in clover. Here is what they say to you: 'You have won the war, haven't you? Is it true that you have 5,000,000 people out there doing nothing? Is it true that your executives do not know from one day to another whether they will have business the following morning or not? Is it true that these conditions exist? If it is not true, we will make it true, because we will close every factory in the world and then you will see who is the victor.' Let us develop the thing a little further and see. As this gentleman said to me: 'The hens in Germany do not charge us any more for their eggs and we have lots of hens, and our people are willing to work to give the hens food so that they can lay their eggs.' Now here is what we are doing: We are buying from countries like Roumania, where their currency is infinitely worse off than ours. We are buying the raw material, and we make money on that purchase. We are giving them our machines that they need and other implements of machinery, and we are taking what we need from them. We have coal, we have iron, we have steel, we have bricks, we have cement, we have got everything that we need here to build and to do, and we are selling it to you and to England and to France for gold, and we are going to continue to sell it to you for gold."

"Gentlemen, you cannot buy any goods in Germany today. That is a remarkable statement to make, is it not? They are sold up, and it is a fortunate thing for this country that they never have been strong in making jams, because we would all be out of business. In Cologne, while I was there, the department stores could only open two hours a day. Can you imagine such a condition as that? Why cannot they open longer? If they were opened all day they would have no stock at the end of the day their shelves would be bare, and they would have no more merchandise to sell, so that they only open two hours a day, and there are a long line of customers waiting to purchase. You

can get an elegant suit of clothes in Germany for \$15.00 of our money, and that is the condition in Germany, and gentlemen, we will have to come to it sooner or later, and the sooner the better."

SKILLINGTON

Mrs. J. P. Skillings returned home from Wakefield, Friday.

Mr. Jesse Chapman from Portsmouth, N. H., made his mother a short call, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Griffin were in Portland, Sunday, and called on her brother, J. W. Smith, and wife.

Mrs. Guy Willey is working in the mill here.

Who'd Be a Persian Florist? Persia, says an exchange, has a drink which gives men a mania for throwing stones. Persia must be a poor land for the greenhouse business.

WEST PARIS

The annual election of the officers of West Paris Universalist Bible School was held Sunday afternoon. The following officers were re-elected:

Supt.—Ella M. Bates.
Asst. Supt.—A. H. Mann.
Secretary—Reynold Chase.
Treasurer—L. C. Bates.
Pianist—Della H. Lane.

Addie Mann, Librarian, succeeded E. B. Smith who was unable to serve. There is a long list of superintendents who were re-elected. A very excellent report of regular attendance was given.

Mark Richardson, who is ill at the C. M. G. Hospital, was reported more comfortable at this writing, Tuesday. The West Paris Village Corporation officers have been re-elected for the ensuing year.

Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Penley and son, Donald, were week end guests of relatives.

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